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U.S. DEEPLY CONCERNED ON NAVAL ISSUE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
Washington, To-day.

Official circles are deeply concerned over the possibility that the French Navy might fall into Hitler's hands, for it would greatly strengthen Germany on the seas against the Western Hemisphere and bring German-Italo sea-power almost equal to Britain's.

The latest figures (apart from those recently built) show that France has 6 battleships, 2 aircraft carriers, 18 cruisers, 70 destroyers and 72 submarines. Many of the destroyers are of modern construction and can travel at from 35 to 40 knots.

There are three possibilities should France refuse to give up her fleet to Germany:

1. The French Navy might scuttle itself.
2. The French Navy might be instructed to keep up the war at sea, taking orders from the British Navy and depending on Britain for bases and supplies.
3. The French Navy might be turned over to Britain.—Havas.

NEW YORK AIR DISASTER

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
New York, To-day.

At least 12 people were killed yesterday when two Army bombers from Mitchell Field locked wings over Long Island and crashed in flames.

Four Army pilots were included among the dead.—Havas.

MR. CHURCHILL TAKES DUFF COOPER'S PLACE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.
Mr. Winston Churchill, when he broadcast last night, was substituting for Mr. H. Duff Cooper, the Minister of Information, who was originally scheduled to deliver a speech on the situation in France.

BORDEAUX, TO-DAY.

UP TO MIDNIGHT, NO ANNOUNCEMENT HAD BEEN MADE OFFICIALLY ON TERMS FOR A SEPARATE PEACE BETWEEN FRANCE AND GERMANY, AND WELL-INFORMED QUARTERS INDICATE THAT NO WORD HAS YET BEEN RECEIVED FROM HERR HITLER.

German comments are somewhat contradictory, a Wilhelmstrasse spokesman having declared that nothing less than unconditional capitulation would be accepted, while the Propaganda Ministry stated that Hitler and Il Duce were to consult upon agreed terms.

In the meantime, fighting is still going on. Severe clashes have taken place along the line of the Loire, on which the troops withdrawn from Paris are making a stand.

Meanwhile the British disclosure that an Anglo-French Union was offered by Britain in a last-minute effort to wean the minds of the French leaders from the idea of ceasing hostilities has attracted much attention in France.

It is disclosed that Britain proposed that the French and British Empires should be combined under one government, that French and British people should be equal in all things and that a citizen of Britain should be a citizen of France and vice-versa.

More Surprises

There is a growing impression that more surprises may yet be in store, and few seem to believe that Hitler will offer terms that will prove acceptable to France.

Rome Rumours

Rumours from Rome suggest that Italy and Germany plan to divide the French colonies between Italy, Germany, Spain and Japan, that Alsace-Lorraine would again go to Germany, and that the Channel ports would be handed to Belgium.—Havas.

A Renter fish from Bordeaux quotes unofficial, but well-informed circles at the new seat of government as hinting that the Germans may get "an unpleasant surprise" if they try to push the French too far.

They say that the "backbone of the French nation is as yet unbroken. The French army is still really fighting."

WEATHER FORECAST:—South-east or variable winds, moderate, fair to good.

HEAVY RAIDS IN ITALIAN EAST AFRICA

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
Cairo, To-day.

A High Command communique announces that the R.A.F. bombed and severely damaged the airport and surrounding buildings at Dire-dawa, in Italian East Africa.

A large hangar was set on fire and many fires started in surrounding areas, including an important rail junction.

Direct hits were also scored by British bombers on Macaaba, the airport at Assab, while an Italian frontier post on the Kenya-Somali-land border was machine-gunned during a reconnaissance flight.

At dawn the enemy tried to raid Wagira, in Kenya, but was repulsed, one plane being severely damaged.—Havas.

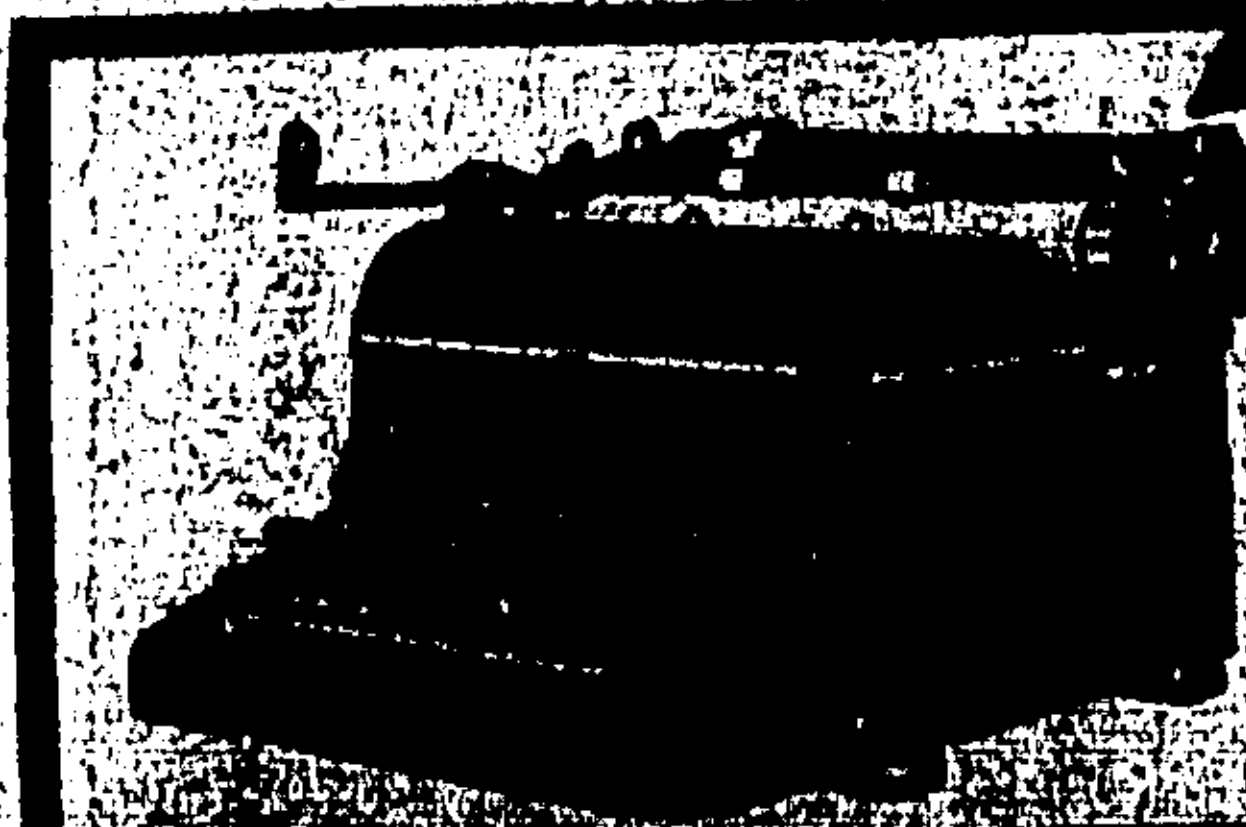


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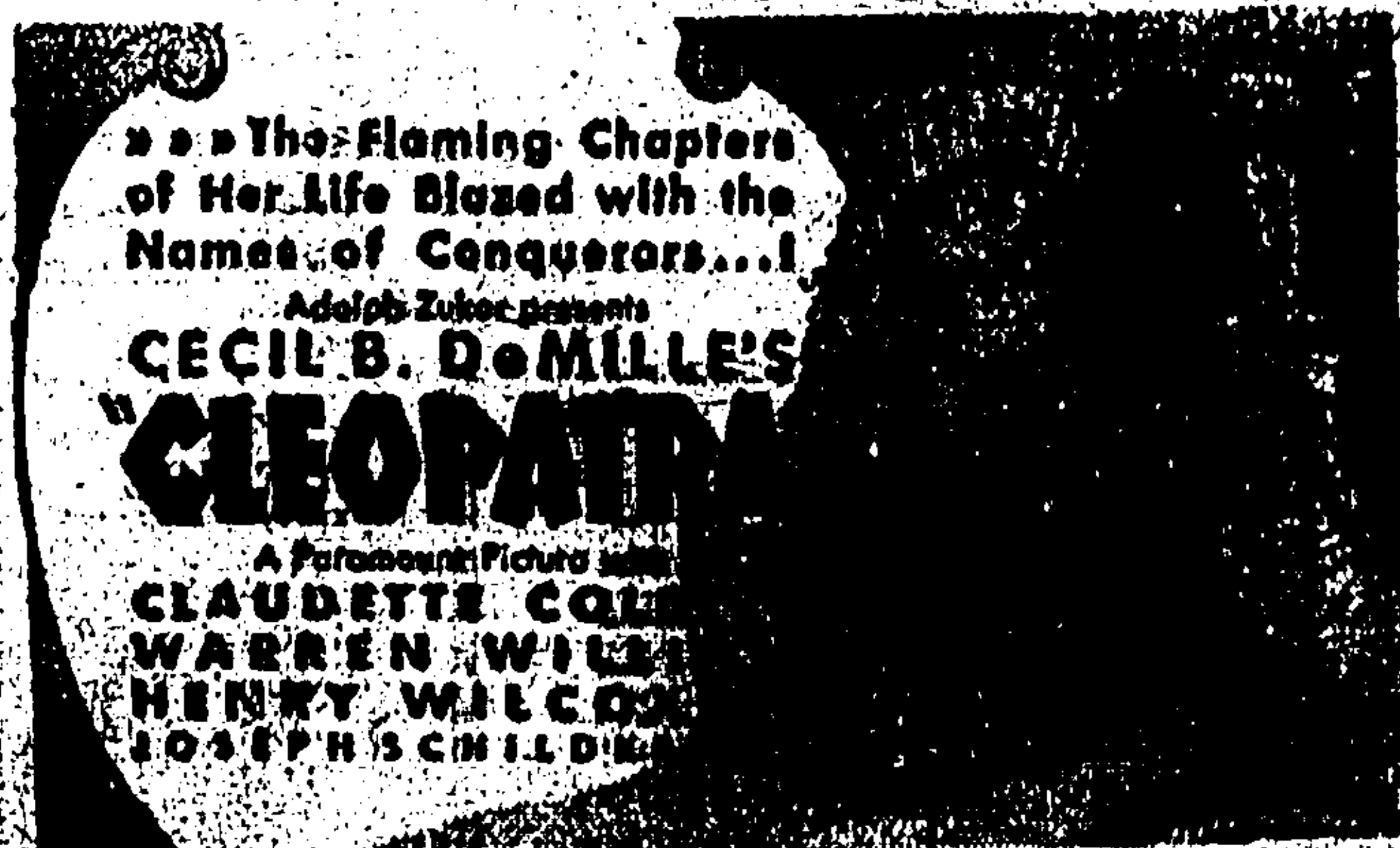
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GALLANT LAST STAND OF BRITISH AT ST. VALERY

London, To-day.

THE STORY OF A GALLANT last stand by British troops at St. Valery en Caux, between Dieppe and Le Havre, is told by a French liaison officer.

Fighting magnificently in retreat, he said, they reached St. Valery, which was being shelled and bombed from the air. When the Germans came into the town, the British troops charged up the streets with fixed bayonets.

"The British were magnificent," he said. They manned barricades in the street and sang songs as they took cover from the shells.

The nearest boats were some miles away, off a beach swept by machine-gun fire. The officer finally managed to swim out to one.

Men were still making their way down to the beach, he said, but "what happened to them I don't know."

"I only know that your British troops fought and fought and never gave in!" he concluded.

Another Little Epic

Corporal Hanley, of a certain British regiment, tells of another gallant story, which began when he and two others were taken prisoner in Boulogne and were locked up in a church under armed guard.

On the eighth day, they managed to overpower the sentry and get into a wood, where they hid for four days, this time without food. Then a French farmer found them and gave them food.

That night, they met some Belgian refugees, who helped to disguise them as onion sellers. For days, they wandered around, trying to get in touch with either the British or French Army.

Then they found that they had gone in a complete circle and were back in Boulogne again!

By this time, they had been joined by another Tommy, who had been locked up in another prison, had picked a lock and got away on a bicycle.

In a village near Boulogne, they were stopped by a German sailor and taken before a naval officer, who asked for their passports.

Lost A Quid!

But there were hundreds of refugees without passports, and he gave them the benefit of the doubt—although it nearly broke Corporal Hanley's heart when he had to throw a £1 note away before they were examined.

They got to the coast just in time to see three British bombers destroy a German headquarters.

They tried to find a boat. Two French girls told them where they could find one and helped them drag it down to the water.

Just as they were about to put off, they heard a shout, and thought that the game was up. But it was only two French soldiers, who joined them. One of them had a compass, but no one knew anything about sailing.

They rowed hard to get clear of the coast by daylight, and then continued rowing until huge blisters came up on their hands. A British ship then found them and took them safely to England.—Reuter.

FATAL ASSAULT

Alleged to have been attacked by another man in Tong Mei Street, Mong Kok, shortly after 7 p.m. last night, a hawker died in the Kowloon Hospital an hour later. The police are searching for the attacker.

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HONG KONG CHINESE PRESS ON THE FRENCH MOVE

GREAT PROMINENCE WAS given in this morning's local Chinese papers to the reports of France's move to make peace with Germany. The "Ta Kung Pao" described it in a headline as "Another Startling Development in the European War."

Britain's determination to carry on the war in spite of France's decision for peace was played up by almost all the papers with heavy-type subheads.

Editorials on the new development in the European situation were carried in the "Ta Kung Pao," the National Times, the "Sing Tao Jih Pao," "Lih Pao" and other papers.

The "Ta Kung Pao" said that France's action was not entirely unexpected. Before the fall of Paris, discrepancies of opinions between the French leaders regarding the war were noticed and M. Paul Reynaud's urgent appeal to President Roosevelt for assistance and the complaint of the French military spokesman on June 14 of the great disparity between France and Germany in forces, munitions and aeroplanes betrayed the weakening of the strength of France.

What was surprising, the paper said, was that Marshal Petain should announce the capitulation of France after Britain had manifested its readiness to intensify her aid to France and the United States had just promised to redouble her efforts of assistance in war materials.

The paper expressed the opinion that the French move would not be a serious blow to Britain in the prosecution of the war though she might suffer from it spiritually. Britain's war aim was to frustrate Hitler's attempt to dominate the European Continent. In spite of the drastic changes since the war started, she still keeps her wide territory, ample resources and the world's strongest navy intact and the loyalty of her colonies is unchanged. Though the British Isles are menaced, the British Navy and Air Force are strong enough for protection.

Victory On Sea

The cessation of armed resistance by France, the paper remarked, may only be construed as marking the termination of the hostilities on the Continent. Relieved of her responsibility of extending aid to France, Britain

can from now on throw in her full force to fight for victory on sea.

With the strongest navy in the world and with material assistance from the United States, Britain is in an advantageous position in a naval war against Germany and Italy, and her future is yet bright.

The "National Times" sees no immediate conclusion of the war in Europe as Hitler hopes for, in spite of the position in France, but a continuation of the hostilities between Germany and Britain whose land and air forces are still intact and who still boasts the strongest navy in the world. Even without the aid of the French Navy, Britain could stage an effective blockade against Germany.

The journal predicts that as result of the developments in France the theatre of war will be removed from the Continent to the English Channel and that Italy will begin an offensive in the Mediterranean aimed at the Suez Canal.

Not A Gesture

"The Sing Tao Jih Pao" believes that Germany's threat to attack Britain after the termination of the French phase of the war will not be a mere gesture but Britain will not tolerate Germany's domination of Europe.

The "Lih Pao" said that peace in Europe was as yet remote. Whether Hitler's terms would be acceptable to France and whether the cessation of hostilities in France would mean termination of the war were questionable.—Central News.

WEATHER REPORT

The Royal Observatory reports that pressure is highest over the Pacific to the east and south-east of Japan, and is relatively low over Indo-China. The depression is crossing central Japan on a northerly track.

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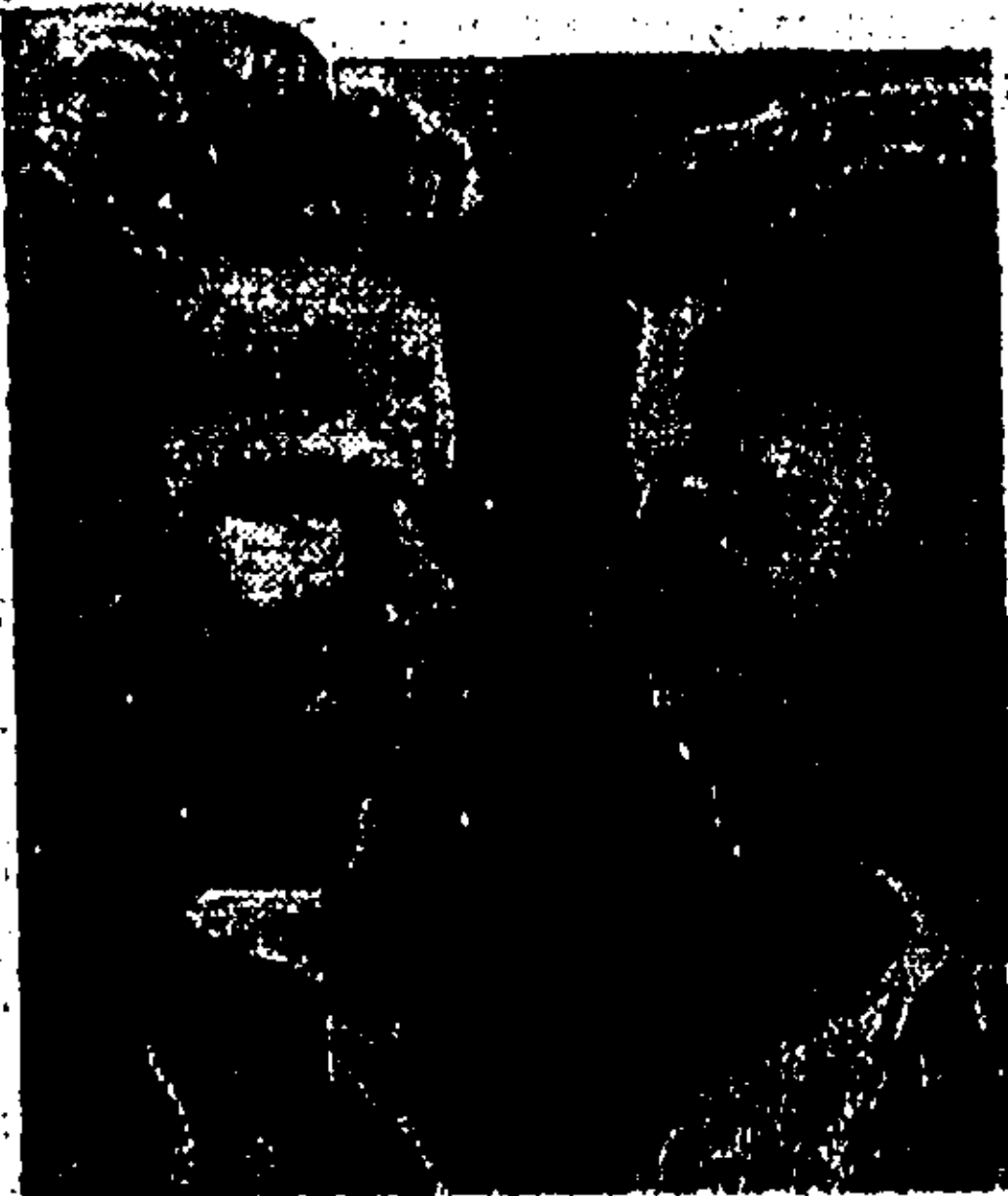
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STRICKEN PARIS ADJUSTING ITSELF

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Two Pictures Of "Dead" City

Paris, To-day.

PARIS, UNDER GERMAN occupation, is trying to get back to a normal life (states a neutral correspondent there). Food is plentiful, gas, electricity and water are not interrupted and the Underground railway is running.

Shops are open and German customers are using credit certificates at the rate of 1 mark to 20 francs.

HEROES OF FLANDERS BATTLE

London, To-day.

A further list of 45 immediate awards made by the Commander-in-Chief has been issued by the War Office, and includes 15 M.C.'s, 12 D.C.M.'s and 18 M.M.'s.

M.C.'s include 2/Lt Francis Robert Newsam Kerr, Royal Scots, for covering the withdrawal from the River Dendre although severely wounded;

Lt. Patrick Hunter London, Royal Engineers, who led a small party of Sappers who completed the destruction of a bridge in full view of the enemy;

2/Lt Robert John Hyde-Thomason, Durham Light Infantry, who, when all the men in the post he commanded were killed or wounded and the enemy called on him to surrender, shot the enemy leader, dispersed the remainder with hand-grenades and then escaped, assisting in organising a counter-attack and later bringing in a wounded man under heavy fire;

Lt. John Malcolm Thorpe Churchill, Manchester Regiment, who, when his company was surrounded, fought his two machineguns until all the ammunition was finished, when he destroyed the guns and extricated his command.

M.M.'s include L/Cpl Jackson, Cameron Highlanders, who during a tank attack on battalion headquarters on May 27, when the order to withdraw had been given and buildings were blazing, showed great courage and complete disregard of his own safety in the evacuation of many wounded under heavy fire.—Reuter.

LESSON IN FALSE ECONOMY

"Go home and figure out how many months of free travel you could have with the fine I impose on you," said Mr. E. Himsforth at Kowloon this morning, to a 21-year-old student, Cheung Man-kin, who was fined \$30 for avoiding payment of ferry fare, and for unlawfully using another person's ticket.

Accused was alleged to have produced his brother's monthly ticket whilst travelling from Hong Kong to Mongkok on board a Vehicular ferry.

Accused stated that he thought it was transferable.

German cars and lorries are in all the streets, and bombing planes roar overhead daily. In this, the Germans are following the psychological tactics they adopted in Brussels.

On the day of the occupation of Paris, German bands played military music, while regiments goose-stepped along the Champs Elysee.

The Swastika Flag which flew over the Arc de Triomphe has now been removed, but another is flying over Napoleon's tomb.

Several Suicides

The Germans are everywhere with cameras and are spreading Goebbel's frequent pronouncement that they "did not want to fight France but that Britain is Germany's real enemy."

The French people are maintaining a wonderful calm.

At the same time, there are distracted and resentful expressions on all sides, and there have already been some suicides.—Reuter.

2,000,000 Fled

Berlin, To-day.

The French capital is like a city of the dead, says a Paris despatch to the German News Agency.

Approximately 2,000,000 of the inhabitants fled before the entry of German troops or were evacuated by the French Government.

All those that had any vehicle at their disposal left the capital.

The better-class residential quarters were thus quite deserted.

Ritz Open

The hotels and restaurants are closed, except the Hotel Ritz.

The underground is not working and no bus services are running, all means of transport having left.

The water supply is assured and electricity services are still functioning. No important acts of sabotage, the despatch declares, have been committed by the population.

Special French detachments fired the oil-tanks.

The French Police have placed themselves at the disposal of the German authorities and are continuing to control traffic.—Reuter.

Ambassador's Message

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Washington, To-day.

Mr. William Bullitt, U.S. Ambassador in Paris, has sent an oral message through the German military authorities to the U.S. Embassy in Berlin stating the occupation of Paris was effected "entirely without disorder or loss of life."

All members of the U.S. Embassy in Paris are "in excellent health."—Havas.



Girl Guides in Australia have sent many large cases of clothing to Britain for the purpose of distribution among the evacuated children in the reception areas. They raised over £2,000 with the aid of bazaars, etc., to enable them to purchase the material. (Copyright, Fox).

SOVIETS SWAMP THE BALTIC

Stockholm, To-day.

Soviet troops have occupied Tallinn and other places in Estonia and Latvia, according to the "Aftonbladet" correspondent at Tallinn.

The correspondent added that Lithuanian ex-President Smetona is reported to have been interned by the Nazis at Koenigsberg ostensibly because he had no visa for Germany. The report adds he will probably be deported to Lithuania.

The Latvian President, M. Umanis, and other anti-Soviet Latvian Ministers, are reported to have cancelled preparations to flee to Germany on hearing of M. Smetona's internment.

The "Aftonbladet" says the occupation of all three Baltic countries is reported to have occurred without incident. A portion of the population is stated to have welcomed the Russians.—Reuter.

TWO AMAHS ARRESTED

CLAIMING TO HAVE SOLVED THE "GONELLA" ROBBERY CASE IN LESS THAN 48 HOURS, DETECTIVE INSPECTOR W. N. DARKIN, ARRESTED AND DETAINED THE TWO AMAHS, EMPLOYED IN MR. U. GONELLA'S RESIDENCE, AND A MAN LAST NIGHT.

The stolen jewellery, valued at \$2,525, property of Miss Murray, sister-in-law of Mr. Gonella, was recovered.

It is alleged that the robbery was carried out with the assistance of the two amahs, the man being admitted to the house by the amahs after Miss Murray had left.

The Police, after detaining the three persons, went to the ground floor of No. 17, Lower Lascar Road, and found the jewellery in a hole in one of the walls of the building.

HEINKELS OVER MALTA

Cairo, To-day.

British fighters engaged five Heinkel bombers near Malta yesterday.—Reuter.

CAMPAIGN IN EAST AFRICA

Nairobi, To-day.

A communique says: On the whole front there is little ground activity.

A reconnaissance from the Southern Rhodesian contingent of the R.A.F. bombed a concentration of enemy troops and armoured cars and lorries near the Abyssinia-Kenya frontier on Sunday with most excellent results. Two armoured cars and one lorry were destroyed and the troops scattered.

Successful air attacks were carried out on Sunday by the South African Air Force on the aerodromes at Neghelli and Yavello. At the same time an entrenched camp in Abyssinia was also attacked and direct hits obtained on the wireless camp and barracks.

Meanwhile a reconnaissance over Bardera, seeing the wireless mast still standing, blew it out of the ground. The aircraft engaged were from the South African Air Force.

Further details of the Neghelli and Yavello raids are still awaited. All our machines returned safely.—Reuter.

SUSPENDED SENTENCE

Before Mr. T. J. Houston this morning, Chan Fuk, 39, was charged with stealing a chicken.

Sergeant Pockson said defendant was seen with the chicken, and when chased, threw it away.

Defendant stated that his mother was in the Queen Mary Hospital. He stole the chicken to raise bus fares to visit his mother.

He was sentenced to three months' hard labour, but the sentence was suspended for one year. He was given \$5 from the poor box.

YOUNG WOMAN GRAVELY INJURED

Chan Leung, 18, of No. 149, Des Voeux Road Central, was admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital in a serious condition yesterday. She jumped from the second floor of her residence with the intention of committing suicide.

FRENCH ARMY STILL FIGHTING

PEACE WITH HONOUR

OR WE SHALL FIGHT ON. — BAUDOIN

New York, To-day.

The French Foreign Minister, M. Baudoin, broadcasting from Bordeaux last night, said: "We are ready to lay down our arms if we can get an honourable peace but we are never ready to accept shameful conditions which would mean the end of spiritual freedom for our people."

M. Baudoin declared that in any choice France always chooses honour in preference to everything else.

Germany's crushing superiority in men and materials had not destroyed France's morale, and he praised the assistance given France by Britain, by her air force, fleet and soldiers.

He added: "At no moment in history has the unity of the French people been greater. Our resolve and the honour of the French army are unbroken."

The Choice

"In this grave hour we must emphasise that the French love of independence and her faith in the future continue."

After making the declaration, M. Baudoin added: "If we are given a choice between resistance and honour, the French army and the whole French people will know what to do."

Commenting on M. Baudoin's broadcast, the Columbia Broadcasting Company's Bordeaux correspondent declared the French Government would not leave France.

He added that France would not accept an unconditional peace and so far "it seems clear that no offers or any acceptance of peace have been made by Hitler."—Reuter.

German Statement

London, To-day.

An American journalist in Berlin was told by the Wilhelmstrasse that there can be no separate agreement with France except on terms of complete capitulation.—Reuter.

NEW YORK, TO-DAY, THE FRENCH ARMY WAS STILL FIGHTING AT 5.30 LAST EVENING, ACCORDING TO THE FRENCH MILITARY SPOKESMAN QUOTED BY THE COLUMBIA BROADCASTING COMPANY'S REPRESENTATIVE, BROADCASTING FROM BORDEAUX.

The spokesman is quoted as having told them that purely military considerations dictated the French decision to sue for peace, particularly the situation of the land army.

The army, the spokesman thought, although tired, was not desperate. The navy was still intact and the French air force still very powerful.

Those facts were important in view of peace negotiations or the coming peace terms.

The difficulty now with the land army was that there is no continuous front, and great army groups have been completely separated.—Reuter.

Operations Continuing

London, To-day.

A German spokesman in Berlin last night said that the Reich would not conclude a separate peace with France except on the terms of unconditional French capitulation.

The German operations in France are continuing, he said.

This is confirmed in messages from Bordeaux, which state, that according to an official spokesman, the French troops are still fighting with the same tenacity at many points.

It was admitted that the French in Alsace-Lorraine are cut off by a German advance to the Swiss border.—Havas.

Germans Claim Metz

London, To-day.

The fortress of Metz surrendered yesterday afternoon to a German division, according to an announcement from Hitler's headquarters.—Reuter.

Spanish Intermediary

Bordeaux, To-day.

Marshal Petain announces that France has entered into contact with Germany through the intermediary of Spain.—Reuter.

Germany Will Offer Dictated Peace

Rome, To-day.

The special correspondent in Basle of the official Stefani (Italian) news agency says that since midnight Marshal Petain has been in touch with Hitler through French military representatives who stayed behind in Paris.

He confirms that military operations are continuing in France and says: "The German High Command has not agreed to an armistice."

"Either peace on conditions dictated by the victor or continuation of the war up to Bordeaux."

"Nothing is known about future peace terms. All that is known is that they will be dictated by the

Fuehrer and Duce in common accord."—Reuter.

Situation Obscure

London, To-day.

The exact position of France following Marshal Petain's momentous "We must give up the fight" broadcast yesterday remains obscure.

Although it was at first assumed that the broadcast meant the French armies would cease fighting, reports from the front indicate that warfare continued all day yesterday.

It is now suggested Marshal Petain's words may have been misinterpreted and instead of meaning France would stop fighting now and unconditionally, he meant France would stop fighting if an "honourable peace" was offered by the Germans.

The next 24 hours are expected to dispel any further doubts on this score and to show for certain whether fighting is to continue or not.—Reuter.

Mussolini Leaves For Meeting With Hitler

Berlin, To-day.

Mussolini, accompanied by his Foreign Minister, Count Ciano, left Rome at 8.30 last night for a meeting with Hitler, according to a Rome message to the German news agency.—Reuter.

AIR ACTIVITY RESTRICTED

London, To-day.

An Air Ministry communique says that owing to adverse weather conditions in the last 24 hours air activity has been greatly restricted.

Aircraft of the Coastal Command carried out routine patrols and convoy escorts as usual.

Fighter Command aircraft also carried out patrols but no enemy aircraft were encountered.—Reuter.

ADMIRALTY PRECAUTIONS

London, To-day.

The Admiralty announces that broadcasts in English, Dutch, Polish and Norwegian will be made at the earliest opportunity warning all Dutch, Polish and Norwegian ships bound for French ports to proceed directly to a British port.—Reuter.

3,100 PLANES FROM U.S. TO BRITAIN

New York, To-day.

The British Government will take over the delivery of more than 3,100 planes contracted for by the French and now being constructed, according to an Associated Press despatch quoting authoritative quarters.—Reuter.

COAL FOR FRANCE STOPPED

London, To-day.

Exports of Welsh coal to France were suspended yesterday and many cargoes, including coal cut on Sunday in the new output drive to meet urgent French needs, will have to find other markets in neutral countries.—Reuter.

OFF THE RECORD

By ED REED.

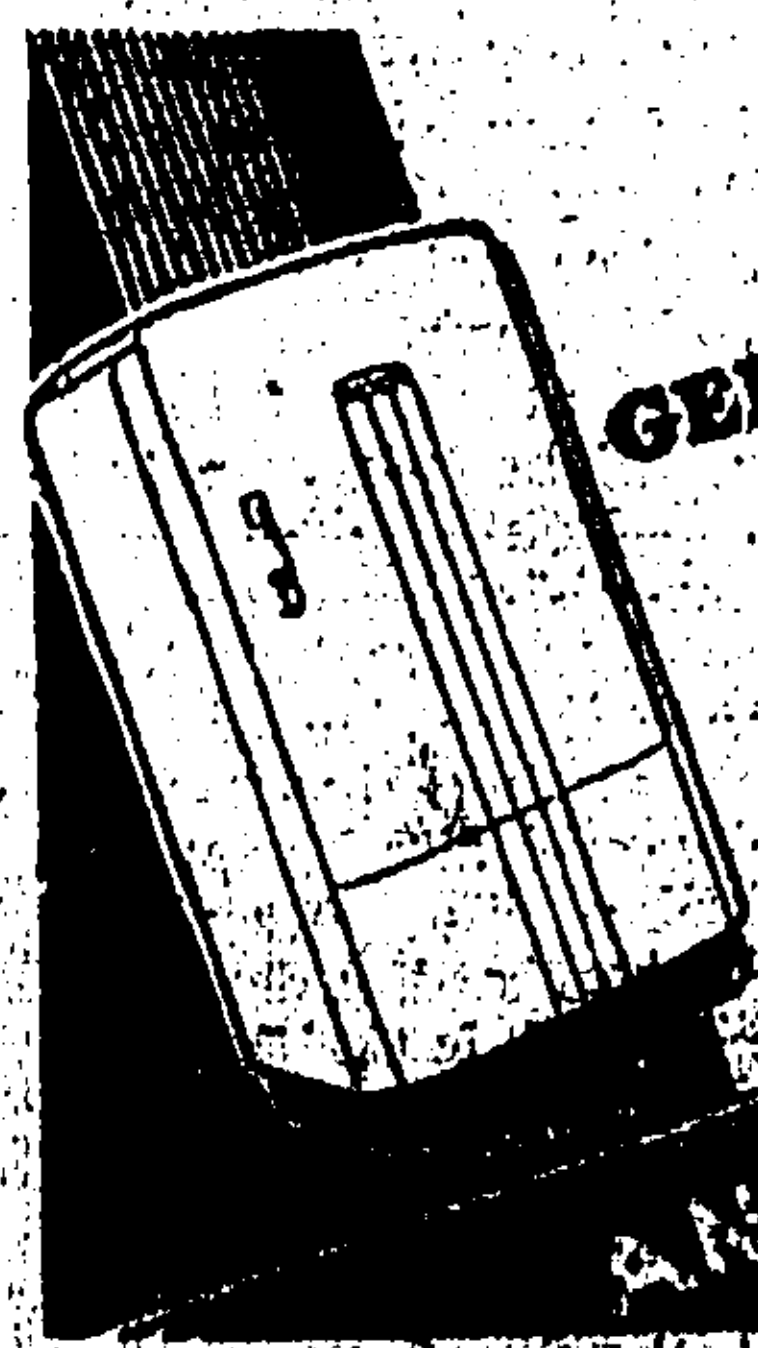


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ENGLAND WILL FIGHT ON TILL CURSE OF HITLER IS LIFTED

London, To-day.

Mr. Winston Churchill, the Prime Minister, in a broadcast last night, said "The news from France is very sad and I grieve for the gallant French people who have fallen into this terrible misfortune."

"Nothing will alter our feelings towards them or our faith that the genius of France will rise again."

"What has happened in France makes no difference to the British faith and purpose. We have become the sole champions now in arms to defend a world cause."

"We shall do our best to be worthy of this high honour."

"We shall defend our island and with the British Empire around us shall fight on unconquerable until the curse of Hitler is lifted from the brows of man."

"We are sure that in the end all will be well."—Reuter.

BRITAIN RESOLUTE: WILL FIGHT ON TO VICTORY

London, To-day.

THE STATEMENT THAT Britain and the British Commonwealth of Nations are determined to continue the struggle until victory, was reiterated in authoritative circles in London last night.

No further information on the French situation was available in view of the expected statement by Mr. Winston Churchill to-day.

There is no tendency, however, to disguise the seriousness of the blow to the Allied cause.

Quite apart from any question of obligation or honour to their Allies, there is reason to believe the French people will show themselves by no means less spirited than the other countries over-run by the Germans who are continuing their resistance passively and actively at home and overseas, thereby making the German task of exploitation more and more difficult.

It is remarked that countries may be overrun by tanks but cannot be governed by tanks.

The French traditionally do not take kindly to invaders.

Comment is made that it sometimes happens that the more spectacular an advance of this nature the more spectacular is the subsequent withdrawal.—Reuter.

Canada's Determination

Ottawa, To-day.

"I can say with confidence that the fate of France will strengthen rather than weaken Canada's determination and will intensify her war effort," said Mr. Mackenzie King, the Prime Minister, in reply to a question in the Canadian Parliament.—Reuter.

Effect Not Assessable

London, To-day.

The effect of a pronouncement of such magnitude and gravity as was made by Marshal Petain, France's new Premier yesterday morning, cannot immediately be assessed.

Official quarters in London point out that clearly it must now be expected that France will be very largely overrun by the enemy.—British Wireless.

AMERICAN DEFENCES

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Washington, To-day.

President Roosevelt yesterday signed two bills converting them into laws, authorising an air force of 10,000 planes and 16,000 pilots and increasing the Navy by 21 warships.

The Administration also approved a new Naval Expansion Bill which proposes credits of \$1,200,000,000 for the construction of 84 additional warships.—Havas.

BRITONS WITH THEIR BACKS TO THE WALL

London, To-day.

THE CHARACTERISTIC OF THE Briton who fights better when he has his back to the wall is emphasised in the "Daily Telegraph" leader, which bears the inspiring heading "On To Victory."

After a sympathetic reference to the French army's difficulties the paper, the views of which are echoed by the entire press, writes: Britain and the Dominions and the whole Empire find nothing in the changed situation which weakens their resolution to continue the struggle.

They are confident in their cause, in their fighting power, and the resources which support them. Old wars discovered that the ranks of the British infantry were never so stubborn, their spirit never so high, as in the last hours of a fierce battle. That is the temper of the soul which has built up the strength of our country and the British Commonwealth of Nations.

Its natural force has not abated. But the Government must imbue every man in the country with the conviction that he in his own person is responsible for the conduct and result of the war. We have to expect that in coming weeks and months all the terrors which Nazidom has employed against other countries will be launched against our shores.

Air Terrorisation

German use of the air arm has been largely directed to shattering of morale.

Our own civilian morale is protected by air defences both on the ground and in the fighter squadrons much more complete than any which the Germans have yet encountered. When we recall the striking success of our planes and pilots against German bombers in France we have the strongest reason to believe that British fighters operating close by their own bases will take a heavy percentage off the German strength if large raids are attempted.

The effects of the counter-offensive against German aerodromes, fuel tanks and factories will also wear down the striking power of the enemy.

Invasion Threat

The possibilities of invasion were never so numerous as to-day.

We are not unprepared for them. Never had we had such masses of men under arms, so much artillery and mechanical transport ready to overwhelm any invasion. Armies planned and equipped for warfare on

ADMIRALTY GETS READY FOR RAIDS

London, To-day.

The Admiralty have made an order requiring the presence in every British ship in a United Kingdom port of a sufficient number of members of the crew to man defensive equipment and fire-fighting appliances.

Seamen are warned that absence without leave is now punishable with severe penalties under the defence regulations.—Reuter.

BRITISH OFFER UNION

London, To-day.

The sensational revelation that the British Government, in a desperate last-minute effort to bolster French resistance, proposed a solemn Act of Union between the two countries, was made in London last night.

The draft declaration, it is stated, was communicated to the French Government by the British Ambassador on Sunday, stating that "the two Governments declare France and Britain shall no longer be two nations but one Franco-British Union."

Authoritative quarters in London state that the declaration of Union was based on the understanding that France would continue fighting. As the French had now sued for an armistice, it may be assumed the plan has lapsed for the time being.

It is possible, however, that if circumstances change at some future time, consideration might be given to repeating the offer.—Reuter.

the continental scale are standing by for home defence.

It is unlikely that an invading force of any large size would get through the watch and ward of the navy and air force. A fair survey of the danger of attacks on our island leads therefore to the conclusion that though we may have grim hours this summer, there is no reason to fear a deadly blow if all do their duty.—Reuter.

PLIGHT OF THE FRENCH ARMIES

A DELAYED DESPATCH FROM REUTER'S SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT WITH THE B.E.F. SPEAKS OF THE STRAITS TO WHICH THE FRENCH ARMY WAS REDUCED A DAY OR TWO AGO.

The correspondent, with a number of colleagues, fell into a German ambush but by swiftly reversing their cars and stepping on the accelerators they were able to escape and later to warn French supply columns of the danger.

The correspondent next encountered a column of French horse-drawn artillery two miles long.

Evidence of Fifth Column activity was given by the fact that a corporal among them said he and his company were withdrawing to rest because a 48 hours armistice had been declared. This was completely untrue.

The correspondent passed over 100,000 refugees of all ages and conditions, streaming pathetically away from the German advance.

Even more pathetic were the retreating troops from the front line near Bernay and Lisieux.

Almost an entire French division streamed down the road from Bernay to Alencon. Many still marched in their units and bore themselves erect but others were entirely dispirited.

Better Armament

By contrast, a long stream of horse artillery with fine bearing dragged their 75's behind businesslike looking horses and limbers, but the bulk of the division were unfit for further sustained fighting and were insufficiently armed against the Germans equipped with tommy guns and portable mortars and machineguns plentifully aided by tanks and bombers.

"I saw thousands of French troops in retreat who, given better armament, could doubtless have held their own against the best German troops.

"In number they were probably a match for the enemy but in mechanical fighting power they were totally inferior."—Reuter.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS

At the Criminal Sessions this morning, His Honour the Puisne Judge, Mr. E. H. Williams, dealt with a number of breach of Deportation Ordinance cases.

Luk-Shi and Wong Lin were each sentenced to 18 months' hard labour. Lam Yau, Wong Yeung and Lau Chuen received sentences of two years' imprisonment, while Leung Hung, who had a bad record, was sentenced to three years.

Arms Case

Lam Choi was this morning sentenced to 15 months' hard labour by Mr. E. H. Williams at the Criminal Sessions when he pleaded guilty to a charge of unlawful possession of arms and ammunition.

Man Sing-cheung and Chan Wo were sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment for similar offences.

Forged Pawn Ticket

Chan Fong was sentenced to two years' imprisonment by Mr. E. H. Williams at the Criminal Sessions this morning for forging a pawn ticket, uttering the pawn ticket with intent to defraud, and with possession of forged pawn tickets.

Crowd Disappointed

Hundreds of Chinese mainly women, filled the Supreme Court this

BRITISH SUCCESS ON BORDER OF EGYPT

London, To-day.

It is reliably reported that 11 Italian tanks, three guns, one senior army officer and one senior air force officer were captured by the British during Sunday's encounter south-east of Sollum, telegraphs Reuter's correspondent somewhere in the Egyptian western desert.

During the night the enemy moved forward 28 tanks in the vicinity of our lines. We sent against them some of our own tanks which dispersed the enemy with the above results. There is no indication regarding any British casualties. — Reuter.

ROBBERY WITH VIOLENCE CHARGE

Chan Ping-tong, 36, motor mechanic, was charged before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, this morning, with the theft of a quantity of motor-car accessories from his employer.

Mr. M. A. da Silva appeared for the prosecution, while Mr. W. M. Brown was for the defence.

It was alleged that defendant stole five tyres, motor-car tools, a horn, a gasoline tank-cap, a wind-screen wiper, and a battery from different cars in his employer's garage.

Hearing was fixed for June 25, at 2.30 p.m. Defendant was released on bail of \$100.

\$1,050 INVOLVED

Before Mr. E. Himsworth at Kowloon this morning, Leung Kam-shing, 18, shop foki, was charged with giving false information, and with conspiring to defraud his master of \$1,050.

Accused reported to Det.-Sgt. Morrison that this pocket, containing the money, was picked outside the Bank of Canton, but he later confessed it is alleged, that he had conspired to defraud his employer, Mr. Chau Fung-hing, of No. 13, Liberty Avenue.

Mr. Alfred Y. Hon will appear for the prosecution.

The case was fixed for hearing at 11.30 a.m. on Saturday.

morning and were disappointed when the case in which Kwan Lai-chun is charged with murder at West Point did not come up for hearing.

LONDON, TO-DAY.

FACTORIES IN TURIN RAZED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Berne, To-day.

Several factories in the suburbs of Turin have been virtually razed to the ground by Allied bombers, according to neutral observers arriving here from the Italian city.

Five officials in Turin responsible for civilian defence were shot as the result of the effectiveness of the Allied attack.—Havas.

ALLEGED THEFT FROM EMPLOYER

Chan Ki, 45, was remanded for a week by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., this morning, when charged with robbery with violence in Wanchai.

It was alleged that defendant robbed a Chinese woman, Mak Fung-ha,

BRITAIN SPEEDING UP ENLISTMENT

London, To-day.

Three more classes are expected to register for military service in July, according to a statement by the Labour Ministry, which says men are being called up at a rapidly increasing rate.

Medical examinations have been speeded up and the accelerated intake into the army will continue at whatever pace is necessary to meet the needs of the situation.

It has already arranged for a further group to be called for registration on June 22. Three registrations in July would affect men aged 30, 31, and 32.

With the 29's registered on June 22, the total number hitherto registered approximated 2,800,000.—Reuter.

of a diamond ring and a gold wrist watch on the staircase of No. 2, Luard Road last night.

Detective Sub-Inspector W. N. Dar-kin is in charge of the case.

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THEN AND NOW

"We are freed from the heavy Ger-
man tutelage, and from the repugnant
company of the Austrians. We turn
to ourselves. Here also the sane and
right diplomacy of the people has con-
quered. We shall fight side by side
with French, Belgians, Serbs, English
and Russians. We shall close with our
intervention the circle of iron and fire
around the Empires responsible for the
European conflagration." This was
written by Signor Mussolini in an
article in "Il Popolo d'Italia" of May
17, 1915. His country had broken
from the Triple Alliance which had
borne so heavily upon it, and the men
who was eventually to bring his coun-
try under the dominance of the same
people from whom Italy had then freed
itself was rejoicing in the fact. It is
notorious that people do change their
minds, and in this respect Signor
Mussolini is just as human as his fel-
lows. It is claimed on his behalf that
Italy is not entering this war in any-
thing but an autonomous capacity, but
the fact is that he has returned his
country to the old subservience from
which it was rescued in 1915, and has
embarked upon a course of conduct
which will in the long run, unless the
Allies save him from the fate which
awaits him at the hands of a success-
ful Germany, bind him in even closer
chains to the Hitlerian chariot than
he is at present. The only thing that
Signor Mussolini has to depend upon
for his share of whatever spoils of war
there might be should the Axis win
is the good faith of Herr Hitler, that
very questionable quantity which the
world has already assessed at its real
value. Can it be imagined for one
moment that the voracious ambitions
of Der Fuehrer will for one moment
tolerate a dual partnership in the
hegemony of Europe. The policy of
the man, all he has said, and all he
has written, clearly point to the con-
trary. It is "Deutschland uber Alles"
which is the German cry stimulating
the bemused Nazi youth. It is not
"Germany over all with the exception
of Italy." Should the Allies not suc-
ceed in defeating the Axis, it would
not be long before Italy would be put
in her place by an immeasurably
stronger Germany. Indeed Signor
Mussolini's faith in Herr Hitler is
positively touching. — "North China
Daily News."

PORTUGAL'S ALLIANCE

The Anglo-Portuguese Alliance is
not a fortuitous arrangement based
on the needs of the moment; rather
does it meet a permanent need to en-
sure the security of the two countries,
imposed by their relative geographical
positions. To this imperative are add-
ed the obligations resulting from the
historical development of the two
countries and their similar imperial
interests.

The Alliance is therefore the first
constant value of Portuguese foreign
policy. In his famous addresses, which
are studies in political wisdom, the
Prime Minister has mentioned other
fixed values: friendship with Brazil, a
country which is the highest example
of Portuguese colonizing ability; good
relations with Spain based on a mu-
tual respect for the principle of dual
rule in the Peninsula, a fact which
cannot be contested; and a policy, in
keeping with our sense of responsi-
bility, whereby Portugal endeavours
to keep herself as far as possible
outside the field of international con-
flicts.

The decision taken by the Portu-
guese Government, when the Polish
frontier was violated by the Germans,
is in harmony with the above princi-
ples, which were enunciated long
ago with the utmost clearness.
Portugal's immediate declaration
of policy would have been
impossible had it not sprung from her
fundamental attitude to foreign affairs.

Since Germany had assured us that
she would respect our territories in
Europe and overseas, and Great Brit-
ain claimed nothing from us which
conflicted with a state of neutrality,
the Portuguese Government had no
reason to hesitate. Their first concern

was to spare the country the horrors
of war and to do their best to prevent
the conflict from spreading.

Dr. Oliveira Salazar, in the last
speech of this collection, delivered be-
fore the National Assembly one month
after the beginning of the war, ex-
presses the Government's great desire
to cooperate with the Spanish Gov-
ernment in maintaining peace in the
Peninsula.

He refers with feeling to the crisis
in Europe, which he traces to spiritual
sources. Europe is paramount in the
sciences, in letters, in technical ability
and in the noblest qualities of the
human mind, but she appears to lack
the power to keep the peace. She
seems to contain within herself the
germs of that disruptive warfare which
marks certain periods of history when
civilizations pass away, bequeathing
to other races the treasures of their
culture.

Portugal is true to her history as a
Western and Christian power when
she sets out to preserve, as far as she
can, the material and moral values of
civilization, so fundamentally threat-
ened by the present conflict. She re-
mains faithful to those principles on
which the peoples who received the
immortal legacy of Rome based their
greatness. She refuses to accept the
rule of violence, because force may
only be employed in the service of
Right, and peace is not worth preserv-
ing unless it ensures the existence and
free action of peoples.

The pronouncements of the Portu-
guese Prime Minister therefore rightly
express the attitude and thought of the
Portuguese people, in whose name he
speaks. — "Present Position of Portu-
gal," Lisbon.

JAPANESE TRIBUTE

Without transgressing the unwritten
rules of neutrality people who watch
the course of battle in Europe will
pause in admiration of the encircled
Allied armies in Belgium. The Bri-
tish are never seen to better advantage
than when their backs are to the wall
doing a job of dangerous work, fight-
ing against odds, persevering calmly
in the extremities of danger. British
histories are replete with instances of
thin red lines, unbroken squares, vic-
tories after seeming annihilation, sacri-
fices and amazing recoveries. The
French, too, are tough and indomitable
in battle. Napoleonic brilliance alone
could not defeat the forces of Europe.
It was the Grand Army, the new guard
and the Old Guard, animated by that
spirit which later covered banners
with glory at Verdun. Now these two
former enemies, British and French,
again are banded together in what they
are convinced is a war for freedom.
Against them is the finest fighting ma-
chine in history, equipped with the
most devastating weapons of destruc-
tion ever devised. Hurling itself
against the army nearly surrounded
in Flanders is another army of terri-
ble efficiency, trained to shock me-
thods, reckoning not the individual
losses but counting the effect of mass.
Here German youth has disciplined
itself to the state's demands, to
supreme sacrifices, under the inspira-
tion of Chancellor Hitler, bringing to
the battlefield that concentration of
purpose, which is typical of German
character. With German munitions
industries geared to their maximum,
the output is being expended in un-
exampled fury upon the khaki lines
facing outwards from a narrow strip
of the English Channel. Everything
the Germans have is being thrown
against the defenders who, the British
say, have not been defeated. The
example of fortitude with confidence
must be inspiring to the British Em-
pire as it is consoling to the French
nation, and as the successes in arms
are encouraging to the German nation.
The conclusion from all this display
of the finest courage, of dying for
ideals in the hope of the ideal winning
through, reminds the world
that man is not a degenerate
animal but a glorious creature who,
more than ever before, can suffer
everything for a cause above self. —
"Japan Times," June 6.

NOT THE END: THE BEGINNING

Melbourne, To-day.

"The defeat of France has brought Nazidom to the very doorway of every American," declared the Prime Minister, Mr. R. G. Menzies, yesterday.

"This will not end the war," he continued. "On the contrary, it is the beginning of the most bitter and most crucial phase."

"As long as Britain is unconquered the world can be saved. That Britain can be conquered is unthinkable."

"France fought magnificently and she will be liberated. The free peoples of the world must get together and act promptly and they will win eventually.—Reuter."

AMERICA STUDYING SITUATION

WASHINGTON, TO-DAY.

THE STATE DEPARTMENT IS CLOSELY STUDYING ALL QUESTIONS ARISING FROM THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN EUROPE BUT LACKS ANY WORDS REGARDING THE FRENCH REQUEST FOR AN ARMISTICE, MR. CORDELL HULL, SECRETARY OF STATE, TOLD THE PRESS YESTERDAY.

He added that the future of French possessions in the Western Hemisphere was among the questions being studied.

The State Department, he added, had not considered any change in the status of the U.S. Ambassador in Paris or the French Ambassador in Washington.—Reuter.

GERMANY'S PROBLEMS ACUTE

Washington, To-day.

Germany's "acute economic situation" is stressed in an article in the "Washington Star."

The writer declares that although German military achievements have astonished the world, the progressive weakening of her internal economy has moved so swiftly that acute internal danger exists.

He concludes by saying that officials in Washington who have studied vitally important economic reports agree Germany cannot continue for many weeks unless she effects so sweeping a victory that she can draw supplies from half the world.—Reuter.

NYASALAND OFFER

London, To-day.

The Government of Nyasaland Protectorate has offered to make a gift each year of the war to the United Kingdom of the whole amount by which surplus balances exceed those reached at January 1, 1939. The Government has declared the intention of contributing about £20,000 in respect of 1939 and hopes to be able to make a further gift of £30,000 in respect of 1940. This offer has been gratefully accepted by the Home Government.—British Wireless.

COST OF LIVING

London, To-day.

The index figure for the cost of food was one point lower on June 1 than on May 1, while the general cost of living figure was one point higher.

BRITISH SPIRIT UNDAUNTED

London, To-day.

In announcing that he had approached the enemy with a view to putting an end to hostilities Marshal Petain, the new French Premier, said: "It is with a broken heart that I tell you to-day that fighting must cease."

The deep sorrow expressed by Marshal Petain is shared throughout Britain and the Empire and in most neutral countries the fateful announcement was heard with profound regret.

In Britain, the ordeal through which France has passed and is passing is fully appreciated and it is recognised that the decision that confronted the French Cabinet was awful and heart-rending.

In the press there is no word of bitterness directed against Britain's great and immortal ally who has suffered grievously under the overpowering weight of metal and manpower, who has seen her armies thrown back and her refugee women and children bombed and machine-gunned with relentless barbarity.

No Wavering

But there is no sign of wavering in the British people in the face of this heavy blow. On all sides there is complete endorsement of the Government's lead that it cannot be too clearly and definitely stated that Great Britain is firmly and resolutely determined to continue the struggle until victory has been won.

The "Evening News" says: "So, now, if we fight alone, what then? Need we be dismayed or faint of heart? We need not be. If the nation rises as one man to the towering height of the struggle, if the nation understands with a cool and penetrating mind the vastness of the issues at stake, if the nation realises and is braced by that knowledge that it is fighting not only for itself but for the whole world, Germany can still be brought down."

Britain Alone

Of all the champions of freedom Britain remains alone without serious hurt, a champion not yet in full condition but one who when ready is a match for all the ruffians of Europe."

The "Evening Standard" says: "Our task now therefore is clear and simple. It is to transform this country into a single fortress. Nothing must be left undone. No strong point must be left unguarded. No resource must be left unused. No man must be without his duty. All must be staked."

The sea is still our strength. This island which floats upon it must become a vast battleship, thickly armoured, hugely gunned, able to smite fearful vengeance against any who dare to touch one of its turrets. All this must be done. It must be done quickly."

Supreme Effort

The "Star" says: "The French armies in their great ordeal have nobly shown what our own fighting men have been so ready to display, that as fighting men they can meet and beat the Germans on anything approaching terms of equal armament. We are rousing ourselves at last to the height of the greatest challenge human beings have ever had to face. When Mr. Churchill calls for a supreme effort from a united nation he will find us waiting to hear and obey."—British Wireless.

JAPANESE DECISION

London, Today.

Women members of the staff of the Japanese Embassy in London are to leave Britain towards the end of the month.

It is stated at the Japanese Embassy that this step was decided on some time ago and is not being taken because of the present situation.—Reuter.

The Ministry of Labour state the increase in the general figure is due to the increase in the price of coal and clothing.—British Wireless.

WILL U.S. STILL HESITATE?

Ottawa, To-day.

"The land of hope and glory," Great Britain and her Dominions, now bar the way to Nazi conquest of the world, declares the "Toronto Star."

The paper adds it is inconceivable that Britain will be left to bear this burden alone. She is not the last of the great Democracies free of German domination. There is another and a great one.

Will it still hesitate when Democracy and all the best things in life are in the balance?

The Winnipeg Free Press points out that the new situation lays "new and terrific responsibilities upon Canada which alone of the Dominions is in a position to render immediate aid."

It adds all the resources of Canada will be placed unreservedly at the disposition of Britain.—Reuter.

BRITAIN TO TAKE OVER FRENCH ORDERS IN AMERICA

New York, To-day.

It is reliably stated in Wall Street that the British Government intends to take over "all war supplies contracted for in the United States by France" and to buy as much more as the United States can produce.

Over £400,000,000 of materials, mainly planes, have been ordered by the Anglo-French purchasing commission.—Reuter.

FRENCH CREDITS IN U.S. FROZEN

Washington, To-day.

President Roosevelt has signed documents "freezing" French credits and capital in the United States.—Reuter.

GREAT SHOCK TO AMERICA

Washington, To-day.

Marshal Petain's broadcast created a great shock here. It was known that the French army was in desperate straits but it was hoped it would carry on until President Roosevelt's promise of increasing help could be redeemed.

No official statement is yet available but among the general public there is much speculation as to the Franco-Italian peace terms, and the news has also started the public wondering what move Japan may now make.—Reuter.

No Roosevelt Comment

Washington, To-day.

It is announced that President Roosevelt at present has no comment to make on France's decision but he is closely following European developments.—Reuter.

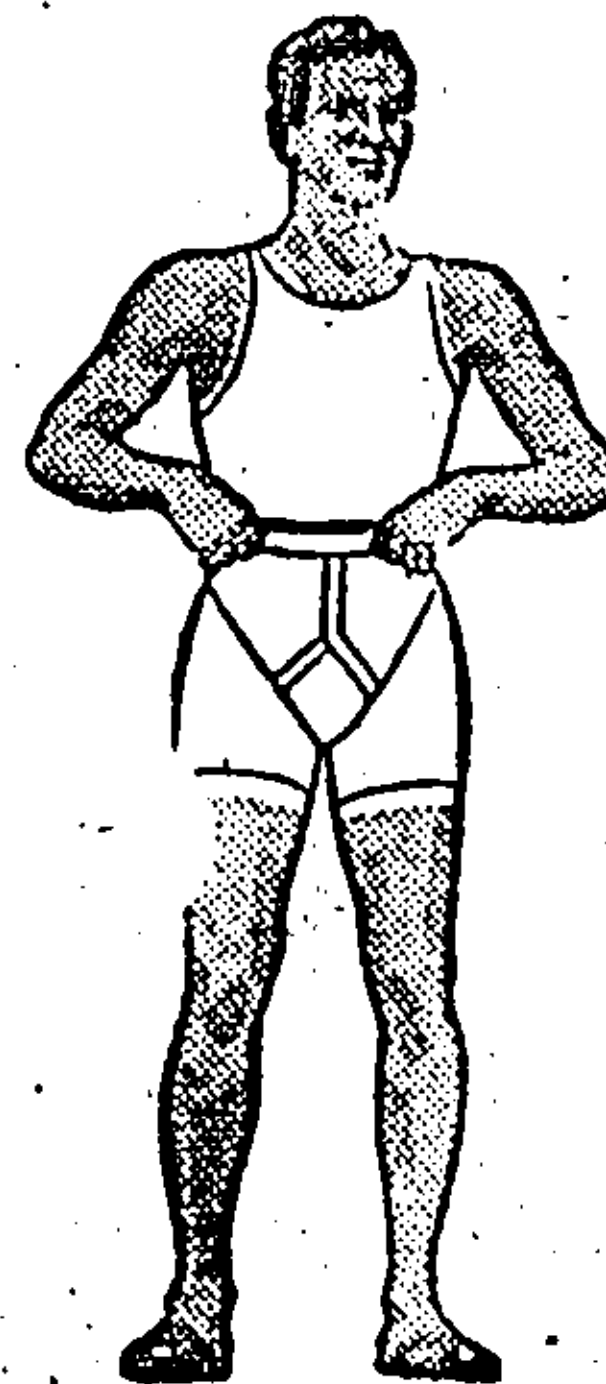
NEW INTERPRETATION OF NEUTRALITY ACT

Washington, To-day.

As a result of a new interpretation of the Neutrality Act drafted by the Treasury, American planes for the Allies may now be flown across the border.

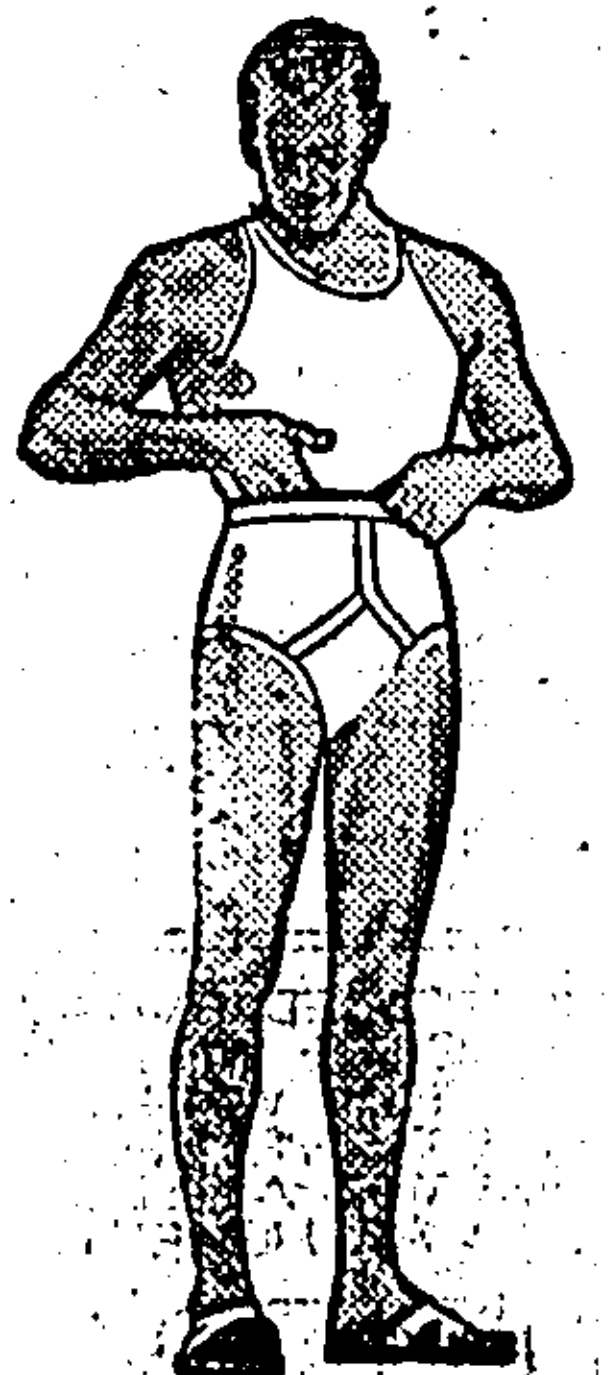
Theoretically the ruling permits planes to fly direct from the United States to Europe.—Reuter.

FITTING COMPANIONS



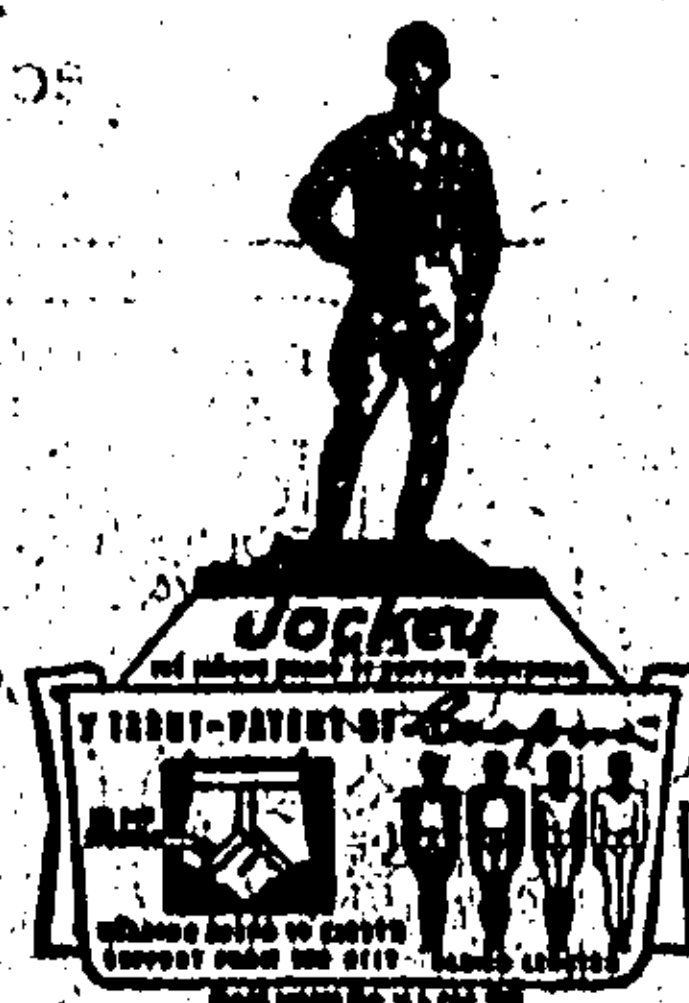
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Nazis In Holland-- And Norway

What is going on in Holland? The Dutch themselves don't know very much more than what they see in their own districts.

True, their newspapers are still being published, but the only news they contain is supplied by Germany.

True, the radio stations are still broadcasting—even music by English and non-Aryan composers—but the news bulletins are supplied by Germany.

The B.B.C. news broadcasts in Dutch are eagerly awaited, but listening must be done in secret.

The German High Command swiftly plastered the country with huge posters ordering the population to keep calm. The Germans are willing—these posters declare—to "co-operate" with the Dutch local authorities provided that "no action is taken against the Reich, its leaders, or any of its soldiers."

Similar posters also announce orders to the people by the Dutch burgomasters "in complete agreement with the German commander."

For instance, Rotterdam recently learned in this way that its burgomaster, "in complete agreement with the German commander," had ordered that from 7 p.m. to 8 a.m. each day, traffic over the Maas bridge would be suspended.

Everybody understood that this was to protect the Rotterdam aerodrome and oil tanks from sabotage.

This use of the civil authorities to announce such measures shows that the German High Command, for its own sake, is trying to keep life in Holland as normal as possible. No steps are yet being taken to suppress religious services. The Jews feel nervous and stay at home, but there are so far no signs of active persecution.

Naturally, there is everywhere a feeling of uncertainty and unrest. Something must happen, but nobody knows how or when. There are whispers about sensational events "in other places," but nobody is able to check up on these rumours and the spreading of such "news" is in extreme cases punishable by death.

Trade and industry have come to a standstill. On May 19 the German High Command ordered all workers to resume their duties. But many factories have been wrecked. The big textile plants in Eastern Holland are intact, but lack of raw material prevented the workers from obeying the German order.

In the province of Brabant the textile factories are ruined. The big radio and electrical works in Eindhoven, which used to employ about 30,000 people, have closed down.

Dock workers in Rotterdam and Amsterdam find nothing to do. The big ready-made ladies' clothing industry of Amsterdam, which worked mainly for export, is standing idle.

The German High Command has tried to get Fokker's aeroplane industry and the munitions factory near Amsterdam going again, but both plants were seriously damaged by Dutch troops before the surrender and

repairs will take tons of material and weeks of labour.

Through this widespread disorganisation the Dutch are in great peril. They have no work and no money. Their supplies of food and raw materials are taken away from them.

The health of the nation is in danger, too. Demobilisation of the Dutch Army has been postponed in order to isolate outbreaks of typhoid. In Rotterdam the whole population has had to be vaccinated against the disease. The German propaganda machine is now promising the Dutch a great war on unemployment. The important group of vegetable growers, which used to export huge quantities, has been told that Germany will buy the whole lot—but at fixed prices.

Even then it is a boast. The Dutch railways are completely disorganised. Nearly all wagons have been taken to Germany.

There are no vans available either. In any case, oil and petrol are reserved for military purposes.

Finally, a word about the Dutch Nazis. They are very unhappy just now. They feel that the entire population holds them responsible for all the lives that have been lost and for all the misery that has followed.

The worst enemy of the Dutch has been the Fifth Column in their midst. The Dutch Nazis feel that the day of reckoning will surely come. They dread more than anything else the return of freedom of Holland.

And Holland will be free. It is only biding its time to regain what it has lost.

Norway has been a great disappointment to the Nazi invaders.

They had expected to be received with open arms. Their commanders had not counted on any losses.

Instead, and in spite of treachery within, they were met with resistance. They lost some of their most valuable ships.

The German naval attaché at Oslo was heard to reproach a Norwegian bitterly with the sinking of the cruiser Blucher at the entrance to Oslo harbour.

He had good reason to be concerned. Among the 1,500 men lost on board were the advance Gestapo forces.

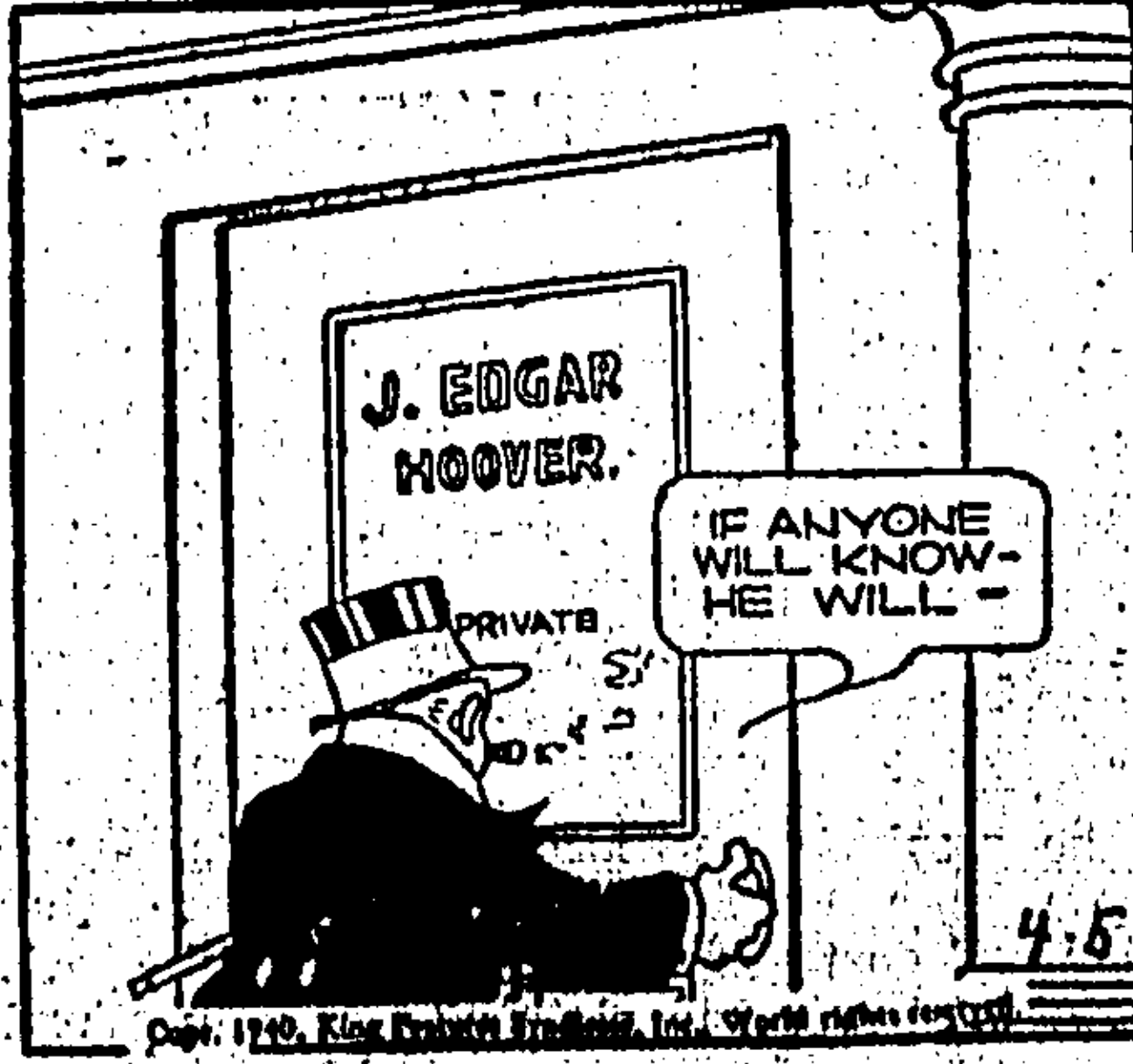
For several days after the occupation of Oslo, therefore, the Norwegians were able to organise without fear of Nazi police control. The Nazis also lost men, far more than they counted on. The full story of the resistance made all along the coast has not yet been told. More is known of the guerilla warfare inland.

Above all, the Nazis lost in morale. Innumerable young soldiers believed that they would be welcomed as protectors by people who had shown them hospitality when they were child refugees during the last war.

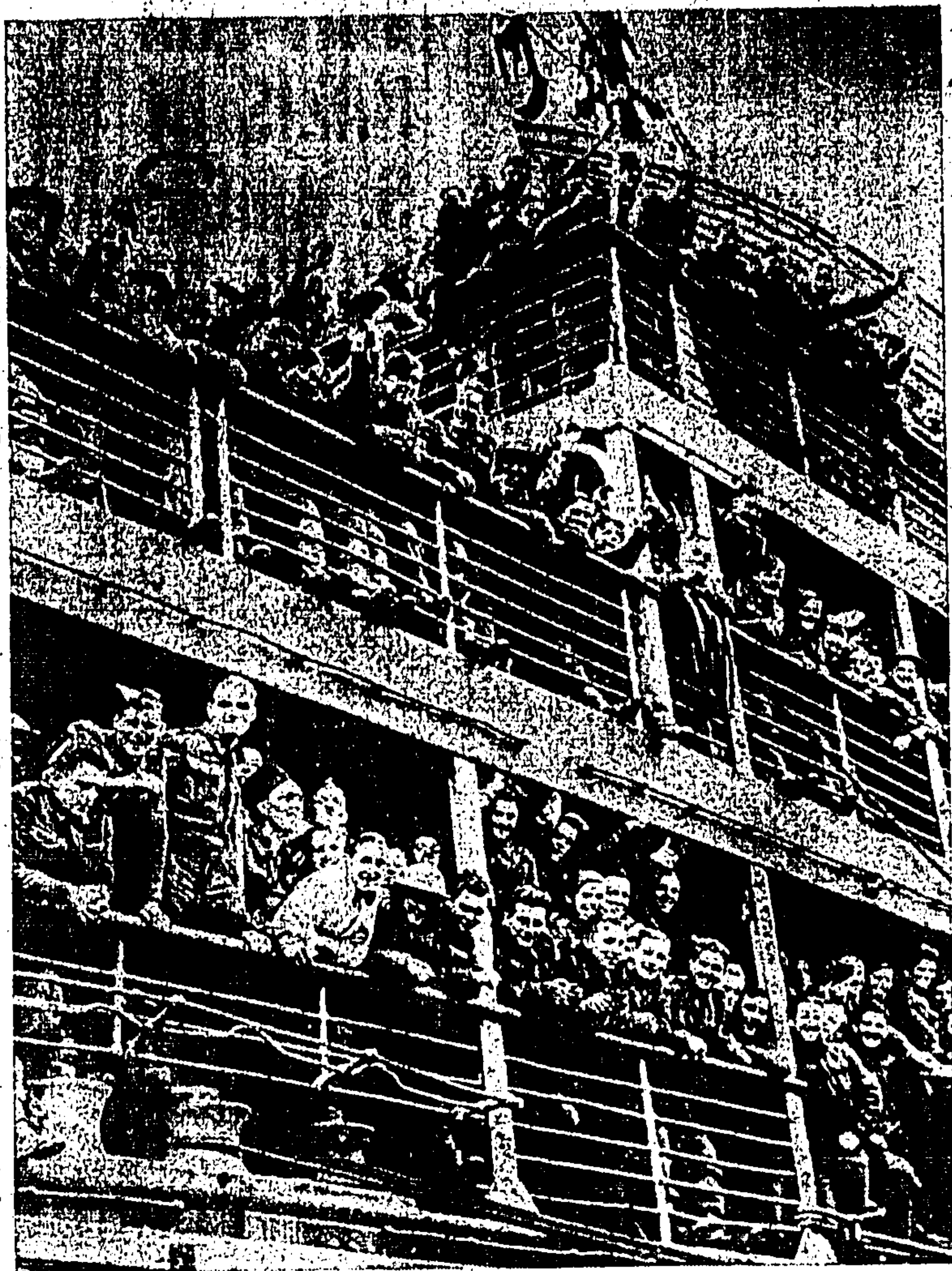
Some of them went visiting their foster parents. Their dismay at being thrown out was such that soldiers were seen to collapse in tears outside

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Bringing Up Father



By George McManus



British troops who took part in the operations in Norway landed in England. The men lining the deck of one of the transports. (Copyright, Fox).

WE WILL NOT LOSE

—Vernon Bartlett

London, To-day.
Vernon Bartlett, M.P., in a broadcast address last night, said:—

"At whatever the cost, Germany can and will be defeated. There is no suggestion of surrender.

"We have faced the continent of Europe alone before and have been victorious. On this occasion, we will not lose. Britain can and will save itself and Europe."

In overrunning France, Hitler had used up vast quantities of precious tanks and aeroplanes and oil reserves, and the German people had suffered enormous casualties, so much so that the greatest efforts were being made in Germany to keep the figures secret.

Every country Hitler had conquered has lost its trade and prosperity.

Those countries, as well as Germany, may be faced this winter with a famine such as Europe has not known for many generations.

"After consultation with Mussolini, Hitler must state his terms. Whatever they are, we may be sure they will be harsh, and if they contain promises he will break them as soon as suits him. There is no doubt where we stand. We must become a nation in arms."—British Wireless.

MORE SHIPS FOR THE U.S. FLEET

Washington, To-day.

With the approval of the Administration a bill was introduced yesterday before the naval committees of the Senate and House, providing for the construction of 84 additional warships, namely three aircraft-carriers, 12 cruisers, 41 destroyers and 28 submarines at a cost of \$1,200,000,000, representing a 22 per cent. increase in the Fleet's present authorised strength in addition to the 11 per cent. expansion just approved by President Roosevelt when he yesterday signed the two Naval Expansion bills. —Reuter.

NAZIS IN HOLLAND—AND NORWAY

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houses which had once been their homes.

The Germans set out to placate the Norwegians. They tried to play the game of protection.

They began looting—but only wholesale. That is to say, they left the retail shops alone.

The stores accumulated by the Norwegian authorities were taken and sent to Germany. But the individual Norwegian was spared the rod, except in such matters as stricter rationing and the control of private bank balances.

As time went on and it became clear that Norway must be considered an enemy country, more severe measures were introduced.

The Norwegians were no longer allowed to move about freely in the occupied territories. They were threatened with reprisals.

Looting became more systematic and more detailed.

Above all, the economic life of the country was destroyed. Towns and farms have been bombed to bits or wiped out by fire.

Unemployment is tremendous. Inland and coastal communications have not got going.

So far, Norway is a dead loss to the Nazis. They have to go on fighting for the country.

The occupation, in fact, is costing them as much trouble and expense as the original invasion.

After all, the Norwegians still have their own Government in existence within their own frontiers, even if it has had to retreat to the far north.

The Norwegian broadcasts from London communicate the instructions and information to the Norwegian authorities from the non-occupied areas to the occupied parts, where everybody listens.

The Nazis have, so far, been unable to prevent that.

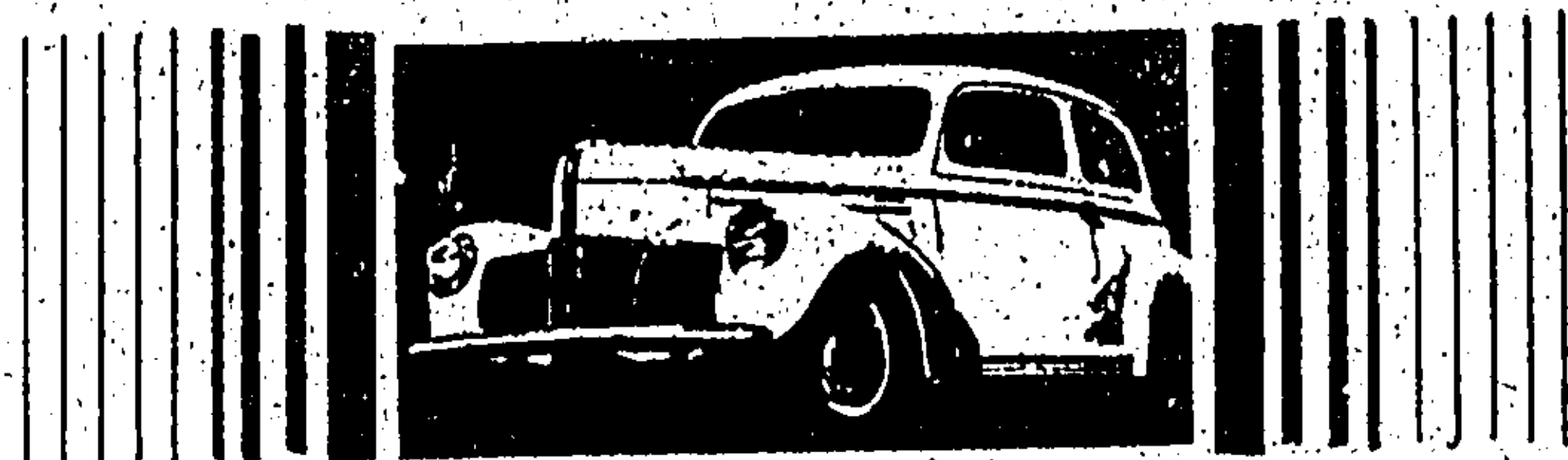
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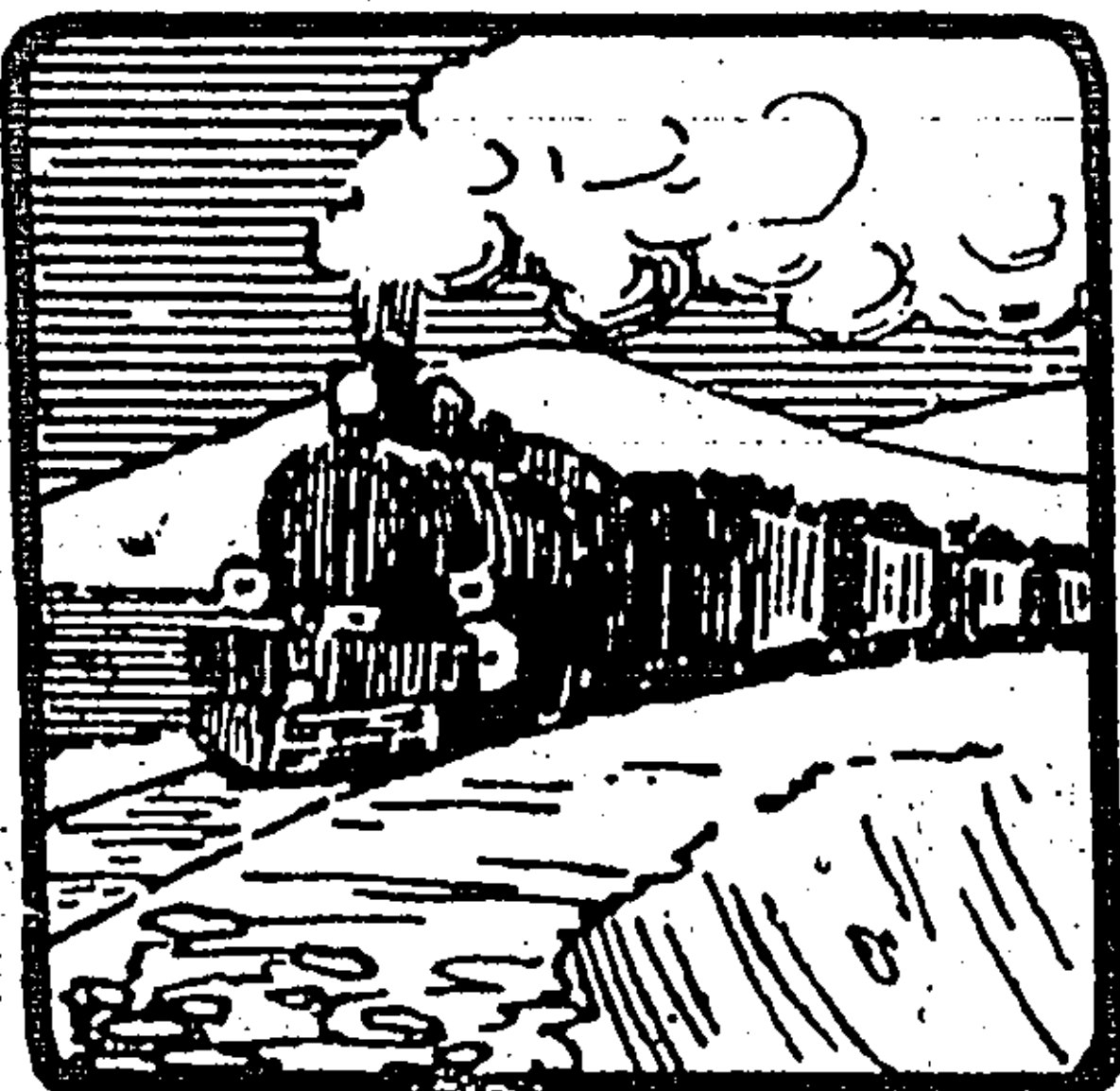
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INDIA'S GIFT TO FRENCH ARMY

New Delhi, To-day.

India has sent the French Army £237,500.

The Viceroy of India yesterday sent this cable to the President of France:—

"With profound admiration for the gallant achievements of the armies of France, the Viceroy of India has the honour to deliver from his War Purposes Fund—raised by public subscription by the Princes and people of the nation—the sum of £237,500, to be used for the benefit of the French Army in whatever manner your Excellency may think fit."—Reuter.

CANADA'S SPEED-UP

Ottawa, To-day.

The Empire's dire need as a consequence of developments in France will send Canada's wartime industry into a crescendo of production, declares Mr. C. D. Howe, Minister of Munitions, announcing a sharp increase in the Canadian output of arms and ammunition.

The production of anti-tank and anti-aircraft shells has just been increased by one-third and Bren gun factories are producing at full capacity.—Reuter.



Sunday, May 26, was a day of National Prayer and Queen Wilhelmina of Holland attended the service at Westminster Abbey. Photo shows Queen Wilhelmina leaving the Abbey after attending the service. (Copyright, Fox).

B.W.O.F. SHIPMENT

During the course of last week the British War Organisation Fund shipped to England fifteen cases of Hospital Supplies and Knitted Woollen Comforts as under:

10 cases Hospital Supplies addressed to The British Red Cross.
4 cases Army Comforts addressed to The Army Comforts Depot.
1 case Navy Comforts addressed to The Royal Naval Comforts Depot.

Amongst those cases addressed to the Army Comforts Depot are 9 helmets and 24 pullovers, being gifts from the Foreign community of Shameen. Total shipments to date are as under: 73 cases Hospital Supplies; 36 cases Army Comforts; 10 cases Navy Comforts.

MADAME CHIANG IN COLONY

Madame Chiang Kai-shek arrived in the Colony from Chungking yesterday, according to the vernacular "Yuet Wah Pao" this morning.

The paper adds that Madame Chiang's visit has no political significance. She has come here to consult her dentist.

WAY FOR NAZIS IN S. AMERICA TO BE BARRED

Washington, To-day.

The prevention of Germany's further economic penetration in South America is believed to lie behind the announcement by the White House yesterday that the Cabinet committee has just concluded examination of the most effective manner of disposing profitably of the export surplus of the Western Hemisphere.

Authoritative circles here explained that an inter-American trading corporation would be formed with all exporting countries as shareholders and the United States furnishing most of the capital.

The corporation would buy all exportable commodities at some average price and sell to foreign customers at the best prices obtainable.

As it is admitted the corporation would lose on most transactions, the plan would be in the nature of a United States subsidy to some American countries.—Reuter.

WAR MEMORIES OF 25 YEARS AGO

(From the "China Mail" files.)

June 18, 1915.

Sub-Lieutenant Warnford, V.C., has been killed while testing an aeroplane at Paris, the machine crashing from a height of 800 feet. An American journalist, Henry Needham, who was with him, was also killed. Warnford was only recently given the V.C. for his successful bombing of a Zeppelin at Ghent.

The fighting north of Arras continues very fiercely, with numerous desperate infantry actions and a violent and continuous artillery duel.

All German first-line trenches captured east of Ypres remain in our hands, reports Field-Marshal French, despite heavy counter-attacks, which were repulsed with heavy losses to the enemy. We were unable to retain the second line of trenches.

The battle in Galicia continues with undiminished fierceness; the enemy was repulsed in disorder between the rivers Tysmenica and Strye.

Other sources state that Madame Chiang will remain in the Colony until Saturday, June 29, when she will officially open the new building of the China War Orphanage presented by Mr. Aw Boon-haw.

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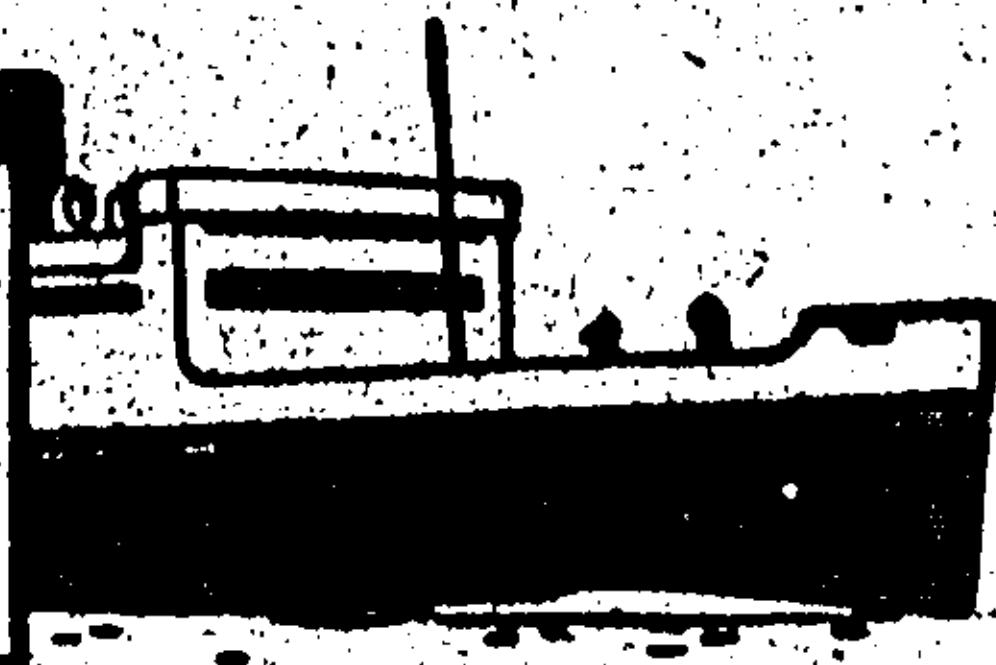
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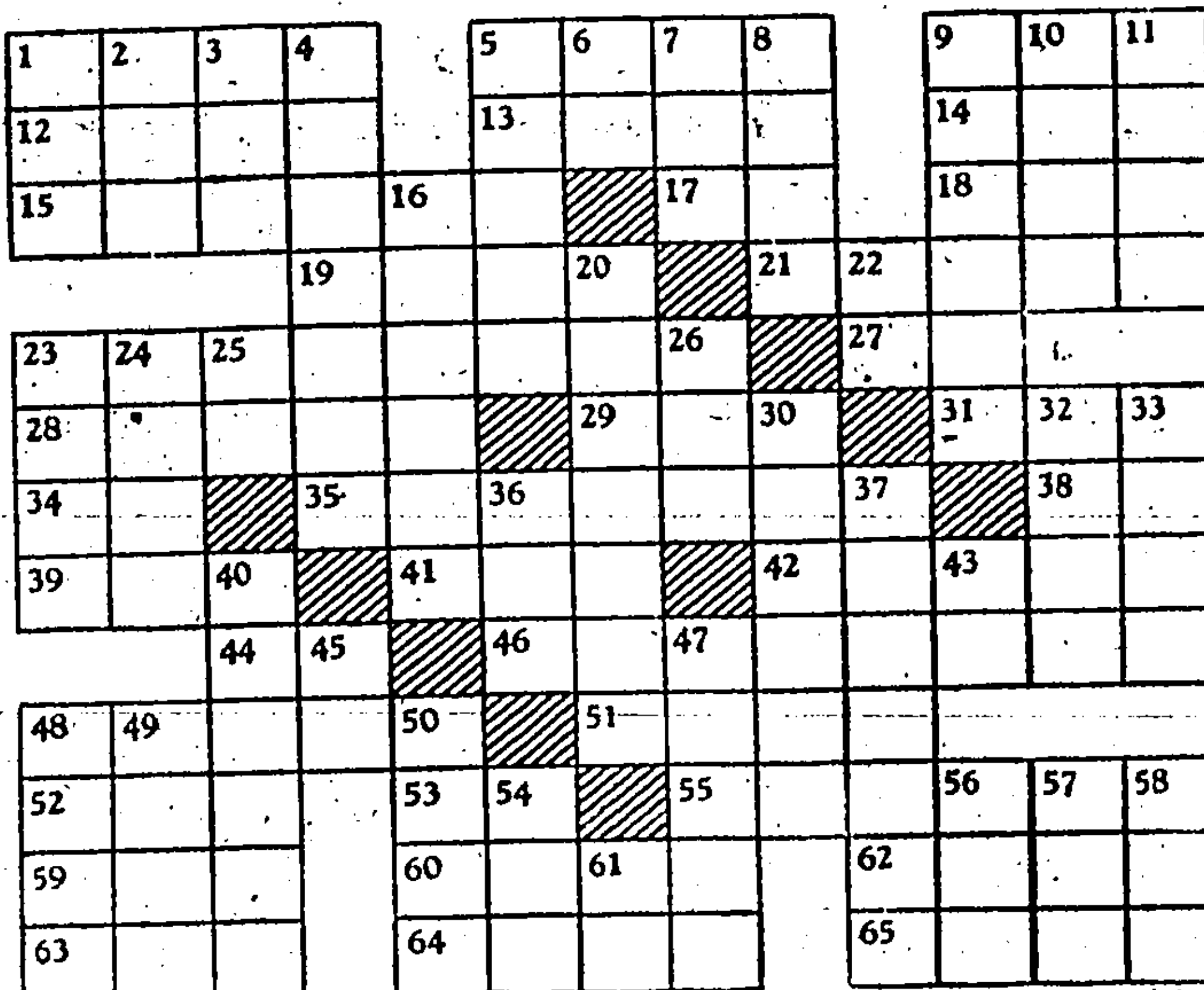
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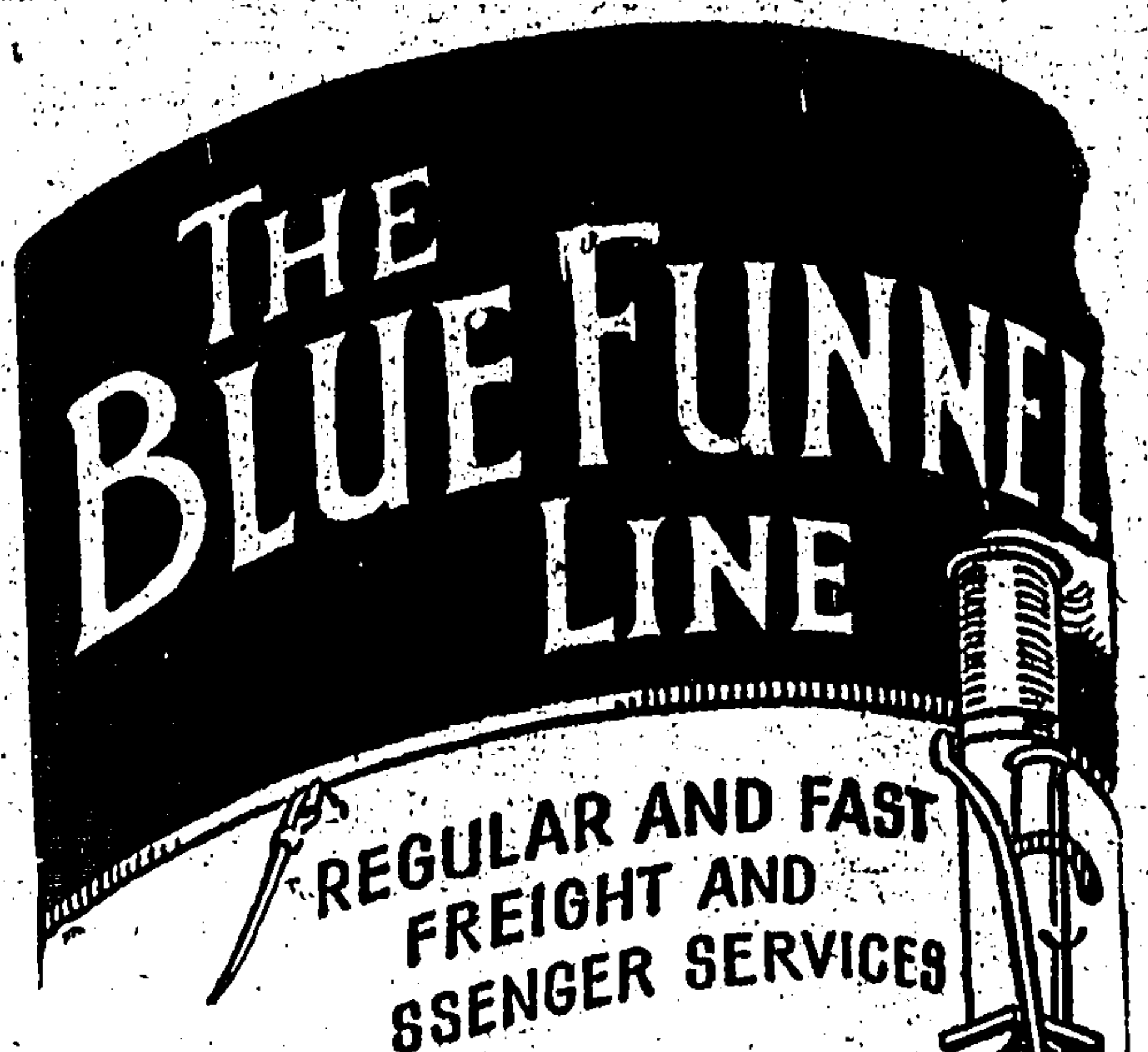
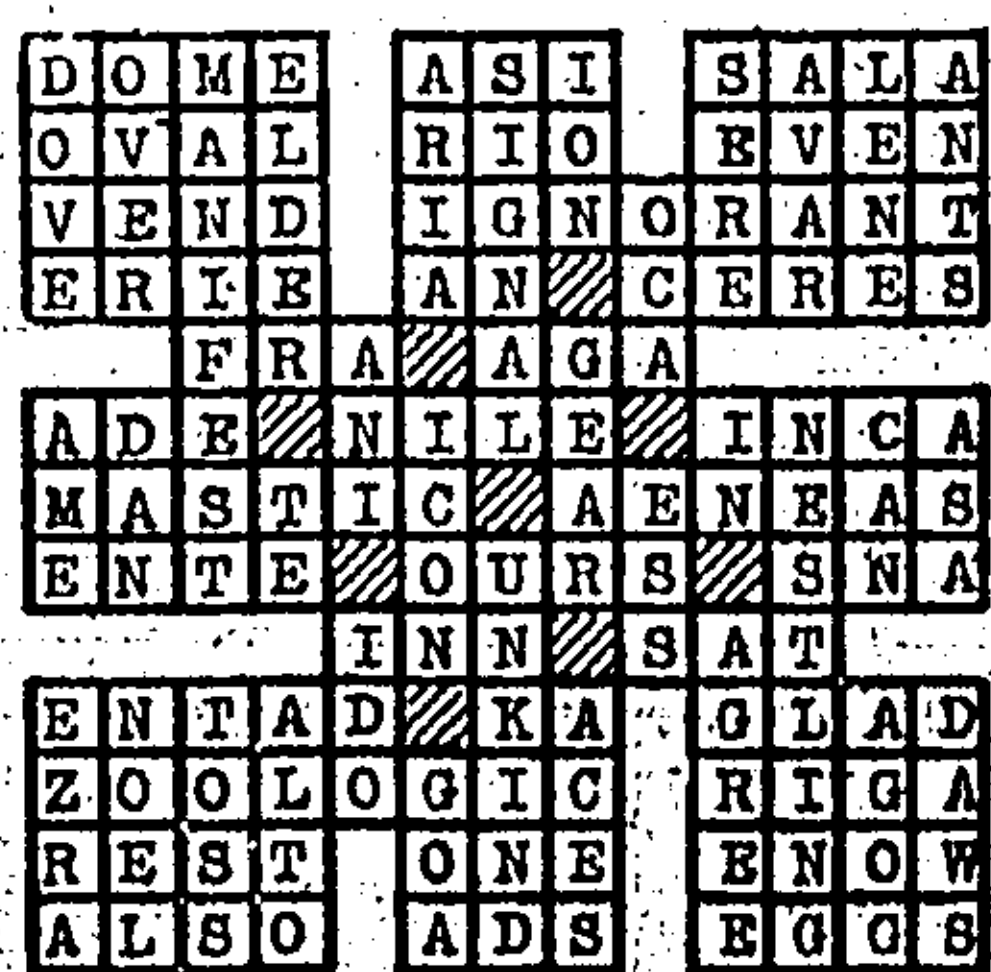
HORIZONTAL

- 1 Close-fitting cap
- 5 Large pole
- 9 To thrust
- 12 Egyptian goddess
- 13 Mohammedan ruler
- 14 Palm leaf
- 15 One who squanders
- 17 Preposition
- 18 Colloquial: pistol
- 19 Appendage
- 21 Venetian magistrates
- 23 Assimilated
- 27 Concerning
- 28 To perch
- 29 Highest point
- 31 Beetle
- 34 Low note
- 35 Old silver coins
- 38 Earth goddess
- 39 Carpet
- 41 To regret
- 42 Musical drama
- 44 Preposition
- 46 Made ready
- 48 Pertaining to a motionless point

VERTICAL

- 1 Cry of crow
- 2 South
- 3 American language
- 4 Pronoun
- 5 Most corpulent
- 6 To deserve
- 7 Part of "to be"
- 8 Stepped
- 9 Trottled
- 10 Wings
- 11 Flying mammals
- 16 Christian festival
- 20 Symbols
- 22 Else
- 23 Rhythm
- 24 Insignificant part
- 25 To depart
- 26 Female deer
- 30 Correct
- 32 Giant
- 33 Acquainted with literature
- 36 To dine
- 37 Digging
- 40 To walk unsteadily
- 43 Teutonic deity
- 45 Note of scale
- 47 Senior
- 48 To fasten
- 49 Sole
- 50 Metal-bearing vein
- 54 Aphorism
- 56 By way of
- 57 Shade tree
- 58 To understand
- 61 Pronoun

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Mt. Parker	1734
Mountain Lodge	1725
The Eyrle	1725
Peak Tram Station	1305
Taikoo Sanatorium	1000
Mt. Davis	877
Bowen Road (filterbeds)	297
Mainland	Feet.
Taimoshan	3124
Kowloon Peak	1871

Y.W.C.A. ANNIVERSARY

The Hong Kong Y.W.C.A. commemorates its twentieth anniversary to-morrow at the association headquarters on Bonham Road.

Mrs. N. L. Smith, the wife of the Officer Administering the Government, will be present. Dr. Catherine Woo, M.B.E., one of the four founders of the Y.W.C.A. in Hong Kong, and recently elected president for the second time, will preside.

The speaker for the occasion will be Miss Pao Swen Tseng, principal of I Fang Girls' School, Changsha. Miss Tseng's topic is "Chinese Women's Contribution in the National Crises," a subject she is well qualified to speak on, since she has been outstanding in her leadership among women, and has many times represented her country at international gatherings. Miss Tseng will speak in English. There will be a service of thanksgiving for the twenty years of successful work, and a variety programme of music, Chinese folk dancing, and a play, ending with a fellowship supper for members.

Born during the dark days of the last world war, and formally organized in 1920, in those days of bright hope for international co-operation and fellowship, the Y.W.C.A. has gathered strength through these twenty years, so that now in these dark war days of 1940, she has participating 3,482 women and girls mobilized to give service in the present crisis in China and the world. Countless sacrifices, hours of effort have resulted in funds workers for refugee work, aid to the wounded, medical supplies made for both wars, padded coats and medicines for China's hard pressed troops, the onerous job of raising money through flower days, and bazaars.

LAWN BOWLS TEAMS

The following have been chosen to represent the Hong Kong Cricket Club in the Lawn Bowls League on Saturday.

H.K.C.C.

Second Division (v Kowloon Tong, Home):—J. A. D. Morrison, J. A. Mouat, G. E. Costello and B. E. Maughan (Skip); R. R. Davies, A. McKellar, G. S. Archbutt and L. A. R. Duncan (Skip); T. A. Pearce, A. K. Mackenzie, R. A. Edward, A. W. Edwards and A. W. Brown (Skip).

Third Division (v E.R.C., Home):—A. D. Humphreys, L. E. N. Ryan, A. Nisim and P. S. Cassidy (Skip); W. A. Cornell, E. Hospes, W. A. Cruickshank and R. H. Wild (Skip); B. J. Lacon, W. J. Hansen, J. Prentice and E. S. Abraham (Skip).

K.C.C.

Following teams will represent Kowloon Cricket Club:—

First Division (v Police Recreation Club, "Away"):—A. W. Smith, F. A. Fabel, W. Mulcahy and E. Kern (Skip); T. Madar, G. Moss, H. Overy and E. C. Fincher (Skip); V. C. Labrum, J. W. M. Brown, J. Fraser and E. Goodwin (Skip).

Second Division (v Police Recreation Club, Home):—C. J. Tacchi, R. Wellwood, A. W. Ramsey and W. Hyde (Skip); R. Leigh, G. Bowden, G. Taylor and A. Spary (Skip); A. C. Tribble, C. Champelovier, W. Parsons and B. Marks (Skip).

Reserves:—R. S. Meadows, A. H. Martin and E. M. Phillips.

MORRISON TAKES HIS COAT OFF IN NEW JOB

Mr. Herbert Morrison, L.C.C. leader since 1934, took off his jacket and worked in his shirtsleeves when he began his new job as Minister of Supply.

"It was hot," he told a reporter, "and there was work to do." He read masses of documents and interviewed departmental head after departmental head.

"He was full of pep and showed a ready grasp of detail," said one official.



Mr. Winston Churchill on the bridge of one of our destroyers. Wearing a Duffel coats as a protection against the cold winds, Mr. Winston Churchill is keeping a look out. (Copyright, Fox).

LOST IN TRAFFIC

I next met four aviators—writes a correspondent to the "New Yorker"—who shared a common living room during the day in a British camp. All had shaved their skulls and grown long brown beards. When I asked one where he came from, he said, "Germany. There are no more Prussians or Bavarians or Saxons. We are all Germans." He said he was a German who happened to live in Berlin, and that was all I could get out of him. Of the others, one had been shot down by six Spitfires, another by seven Hurricanes, and a third by a dozen Curtises. I had never heard such a concerted if unintended tribute to Allied superiority in the air; listening to them, I marvelled that a Messerschmitt could find its way through the traffic.

LEVER BROS. ARRANGEMENT

LONDON, TO-DAY.

AS A RESULT OF ARRANGEMENTS RECENTLY CONCLUDED, THE WHOLE OF THE UNITED STATES, SOUTH AMERICAN, THE PHILIPPINES, BELGIAN CONGO, CHINESE, THAI AND ASIATIC TURKISH INTERESTS OF LEVER BROTHERS AND UNILEVER HAVE BEEN TRANSFERRED TO A SOUTH AFRICAN SUBSIDIARY COMPANY.

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These shares form the basis of the South African company which has also taken over this liability.—Reuter.

TAKES BAND ON HER HONEYMOON

Twenty-year-old Hollywood starlet, Joyce Mathews, and her Venezuelan multi-millionaire husband, Colonel Gonzalez Gomez, plan to take a fourteen-piece swing band with them on their honeymoon. Their retinue will also include photographers, bodyguards and servants.

Hollywood says Joyce Mathews has the most beautiful hands on the screen—and on one of them—her engagement finger—flashes a diamond ring worth £6,250!

To the strains of swing music, the multi-millionaire and his bride will make their bow before romantic audiences, who will then be asked to pay for the thrill of seeing them by contributing to charities.

They will stop at ten cities on their honeymoon tour.

BRITAIN'S FOOD SUPPLIES

London, To-day.

That the food supply in Britain is sufficiently good to warrant there being no immediate extension of the rationing system was disclosed yesterday by the Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Food who added: "We are satisfied we have a pretty good emergency scheme." — British Wireless.

HITLER'S MISSION IS GOD-GIVEN-LEY

Dr. Robert Ley, the German Labour Front leader, writes of Hitler:—

"The Fuehrer will soon be recognised as the greatest of all men of all time. I'm convinced that he'll soon bring Europe and the world to reason, thereby making Europe and the whole world happy.

"That's the mission entrusted to him by God and Nature."

ARGENTINE GIFT

London, To-day.

As a token of confidence and friendship to the British Empire in the struggle for freedom a committee of prominent cattle owners in the Argentine has decided to organize the presentation to Britain of about 5,000 head of live cattle for the use of the soldiers of the Empire.

The cattle will be killed at below cost price in the Argentine.

Each quarter will bear a ticket with the Argentine colours and an expression of good luck.

H. M. Ambassador has been instructed to convey the Government's lively appreciation and gratitude to the generous promoters of the scheme.—British Wireless.

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'Cards On The Table'

6.00 p.m.—Bizet's "Carmen" Act I. Singers in order of appearance: Ines Alfrani Telling; Astrid Baracchi; Aureliano Pertile; Bruno Carmassi; Aurora Buades and Chorus of La Scala, Milan, with the Milan Symphony Orchestra conducted by Lorenzo Molajoli.
6.58 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.
7.00 p.m.—Miliza Korjus (Soprano) and Marek Weber & His Orchestra. The Zarina (Ganne); Czardas from "The Spirit of the Voevod" (Grossmann)... Marek Weber & His Orchestra.
Oriental Prayer ("Lakme"—Delibes)... Miliza Korjus (Soprano) with Orchestra & Chorus.
"Tosca" Selection (Puccini)... Ma-

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rek Weber & His Orchestra.
Bell Song ("Lakme"—Delibes)... Miliza Korjus (Soprano) with Orchestra.
Songs Without Words—Potpourri... Marek Weber & His Orchestra.
7.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—A Light Orchestral Concert.
8.32 p.m.—The Band of His Majesty's Royal Marines, Plymouth Division.
Quick Marches—On The Quarter Deck (Alford); H.M. Jollies (Alford).

Ceremonial March—By Land and Sea (Alford).
Quick March—The Middy (Alford).
8.45 p.m.—Studio—The "Toast" Series on Naval Occasions No. 4.
8.57 p.m.—A Variety Programme.

9.15 p.m.—London Relay—News Summary.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—"Cards on the Table".
9.45 p.m.—Dance Music.
10.30 p.m.—Musical Comedy Selections Excerpts from the Revue "Nine Sharp"... The Little Theatre Company.
11.00 p.m.—CLOSE DOWN.



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CLEVER DEFENCE

To-day's hand, submitted by Jerome Scheuer of Boston, illustrates a fine defensive play by Frank K. Perkins, well-known Bridge authority, in a recent Duplicate game.

West, Dealer
Both sides vulnerable

Mr. Perkins: ♠ A J 3, ♥ Q 7 4, ♦ J 8 6 5, ♣ 10 6 2.
Mr. Scheuer: ♠ Q 8 2, ♥ 10 3, ♦ Q 10 9, ♣ A K 7 5.
N E
S W
♠ K 10 7 4, ♥ K J 9 8 6 5, ♦ K 3 2, ♣

The bidding:
West North East South
Pass Pass 1♠ 1♥
8♣ 8♥ Pass 4♥
Pass Pass Pass

At several tables four hearts was made in the following manner: The Queen of clubs was opened. Declarer ruffed and led a low heart. West played the Ace of hearts and led another club. Declarer ruffed, played another heart to dummy's Queen, cashed the Ace of spades, successfully finessed for East's Queen, discarded dummy's third club on his own fourth spade and led a low diamond, ducking in dummy and throwing East in with the nine. Then if East led a club, South was able to discard a diamond from his own hand and trump in dummy; if East led a diamond, Declarer ducked and made a trick in that suit. Mr. Perkins opened the Queen of

the clubs and won the first heart lead, just like all the other West players. But at this point he foresaw the full possibilities of the hand and hence returned a heart. If Declarer had hopped right up with the Queen of hearts, he could still have made the hand; but he carelessly played second-hand low, whereupon he was unable to get into dummy both to finesse the spade and to lead and ruff a club. Hence, he was down one.

Yesterday you were Merwin Maier's partner; both sides were vulnerable, you had 40 on score and held:

♠ A Q x x
♥ A x x
♦ A J 9 x x
♣ x

The bidding:

Schenken Von Jacoby Maier
Pass 1♦ Pass 1♠
Pass (?)

ANSWER: Bid three spades. This is a Slam invitation inasmuch as two spades is sufficient for game. Your partner is under no compulsion to bid again.

Score 100% for three spades, 50% for two spades (no reason to make any other bid.)

QUESTION NO. 439

Howard Schenken is your partner, both sides are vulnerable, you have 40 on score and hold:

♠ K J x x x
♥ K x x
♦ K Q
♣ K x x

The bidding:

Maier Schenken Burnstone Von
Pass 1♦ Pass 1♠
Pass 3♠ Pass (?)

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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CROWDS RUSH STADIUM; SEE EASTERN BEATEN

Singapore, June 10.

A CROWD OF OVER 20,000 — about 1,500 of whom had not paid for admission—saw a combined Singapore eleven beat the Eastern Athletic Association by two goals to one in a poor soccer match at Anson Road Stadium yesterday.

The victory was a conspicuous one. Take a look at the team and you will see why. The stalwarts of Singapore are missing—Abdul Rahman, Yahya, Aziz, Butler and Smith, of the Royal Air Force, just to mention a few. These either could not get into the stadium to play because they could not gain entrance owing to the terrific crowd which had to be shut out, or had been unable to accept the invitation to play.

TOURISTS OPEN BRILLIANTLY

Singapore won against a team which opened with a dazzling display of football which threatened to overwhelm them just as the crowd overwhelmed stadium keepers, turnstiles and police constables just before the match began and rushed over barriers to storm on to the field to get front grass seat positions for nothing.

The reason why Singapore won was because they were opportunists, hung on grimly to their two goals, the scoring of which took the vim completely out of the play of the Easterners, and then fought strenuously in the second half when the visitors decided that they had to do something about getting goals.

It was when they stormed the Singapore goal dangerously that the Easterners were beaten by one man—Webber who reached great heights (literally and metaphorically speaking) by bringing off some magnificent saves.

There was no flinching about his saves. He was aided in a way by the desperate play

of the Easterners who gave themselves—and were given by the Singapore defence—little time to beguile Webber or beat him with tricky shots.

The goal the Easterner got came from a penalty, and Chang Kam-hoi, top goal-getter for the side, added another to his belt with a shot which beat Webber all the way.

The visitors played a moody game. They began brilliantly. Then Singapore, against every expectation, scored, and there was a perceptible change in the attack of the Chinese.

Singapore scored again and from then on until the half, the visitors were ragged, with only three men keeping up the morale of the side, the centre-half and the two backs who just could not afford to slump.

The second half was a similar tale of the Easterners pulling up their socks at periodic intervals. They were clearly tried by the play of their opponents.

Their penalty success saw them resume play with renewed vigour and some inspiration, but Bowley and Collins and lastly Webber nullified every attempt they made to get the equalizer.

The visitors scored once through Hau Ching-to, but he was off-side. They got a couple of free kicks but were unable to turn these into goals. The Singapore net, however, had a few narrow escapes, and it was on these occasions that one muttered, "Luck's with Singapore."

Easter A.A.—Lau Hin Hon; Wu Chi Chiang and Lee Kwok Wan; Chi Kam Hung, Hau Keng Cheng and Lo Wai Kuen; Ching Mung Sum, Chang Kam Hoi, Hau Ven Kwai, Cho Chow Ting and Hau Ching To.



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BASEBALL NOTES

SAPPERS ALMOST EARN
FIRST LEAGUE POINTS

Details Of Brewers' Protest Against Chung Hwa

LEUNG AND CHUNG
PLAY VERY WELL

(By "Grandstand")

BASEBALL FANS who packed the grandstand and lined the sidelines 10 deep last Saturday, at Caroline Hill, were treated to a real ball game which was full of thrills and explosive moments, including a fist fight, a free-for-all garnished with plenty of arguments and squawks. This all happened when Chung Hwa nosed out Hong Kong Brewery, 5-4.

The game went smoothly enough for five innings, and the explosions started off in the first half of the sixth frame, when H.B. were at bat and Chung Hwa at the long end of a 5-4 score.

With Stan Leonard and Joe Bowen out of the way and two outs Dave Leonard was anchored at the hot corner with the tying run. Madeen Arculli was up at bat. With the count two strikes and one ball on Madeen, Dave Leonard attempted to steal home on the next pitch with the hopes of tying the score. The pitch, however, was a strike and Arculli struck out to retire the inning. . . . Did the run count? Hal Winglee and the Bambino argued with the Ump till their faces were blue but "Highpockets" Wilson stuck to his guns and informed the scorer that the run did not count.

UNDER PROTEST

Hal Winglee then informed the arbiter that he was playing the game under protest and here's what the "Babyface" wrote across the score book and duly signed: "Protest!!! Chief Umpire calls Dave Leonard safe when stealing home. After this he calls batter out. Runner being called safe should be safe as batter was not yet called out. (2) In the beginning of the sixth umpire refused to let pitcher have a five-ball warm-up and started giving one ball advantage to batter when he wasn't even in the box."

Let's get on with the game, the fist fight and free-for-all come later. The Brewers, who batted first, started off with one tally in the first stanza. George Souza was passed to first and stole second on the next pitch. H. Ali sacrificed a bunt to the pitcher to advance Souza to third. Stan Leonard grounded to third base and Tuffy Chinn made sure of the out at the initial sack and Souza crossed the pan on the play. Dave Leonard grounded to Tuffy to retire the chapter.

Chung Hwa replied with four tallies in the initial canto and Madeen Arculli had to face 10 batters in this inning. Nip Lum started off with a Japanese liner to left field and the "Cushion-Robber" proceeded to pilfer second and third with the ease of a seagull diving for a fish. Richard Chung presented arms for the first out followed by Al Lau who rolled to the pitcher for an easy out. Two away; Nip Lum at third and Tuffy Chinn up to bat. Tuffy fouled the first pitch and slammed the next one to the pitcher's box. Madeen Arculli scooped the ball and bulletted it to first, but Ramjahn muffed the throw. Tuffy was safe, and Nip Lum came in on the play. Wally Ching followed with a single to right field and Hank Chang was walked to load the bases.

SECOND RUN

Obeir Arculli booted a grounder off Grandpop Leung's bat and Tuffy came

in for the second Chung Hwa run. Bases still loaded and Madeen had trouble finding the plate and gave Choy a free ticket to first to force in Wally Ching. Bill Chang made a hit to short-stop to score brother Hank. Grandpop Leung was forced at the home plate when Nip Lum sent an easy roller to the pitcher.

H. B. pushed across one more run in the third on a hit by George Souza and a bobble by Wally Ching. In the same inning Chung Hwa added one more tally. Hank Chang singled and was brought in by Choy, who sacrificed to the pitcher.

In the eventful sixth the Brewers garnered two more runs in a desperate rally. George Souza was walked and H. Ali slashed a single to right field. Stan Leonard grounded to third base and Souza scored on the play. Ali scored on a wild throw by Tuffy Chinn to first base and Dave Leonard rounded second. Joe Bowen, who substituted for Zinho Gosano, grounded to second-basemen Choy for the second out to advance Dave Leonard to third. The rest of the frame which caused hard feelings, a protest and etc. has already been described.

Now it's Chung Hwa's turn to bat. Chucker Bill Chang was the first Abeman to face Arculli. Wham! and the pellet went sailing to left field for a neat single. Nip Lum was now in the batter's box. Madeen re-coiled and whipped the ball to first to prevent Bill Chang from taking such a big lead-off. Terry Leonard's attempted tag-out shoved Chang's foot off the cushion and for some reason best known to base umpire Dave Walker he called the runner out.

DECISION FINAL

More arguments arose but Dave had given his decision which was final. Nip Lum singled to centre field and dashed to the initial station in no uncertain way. What happened there I can't say, but first-sacker Terry Leonard was not very pleased at the way Nip reached first. Nip took a big lead-off and Madeen Arculli heaved the ball to Terry in an attempt to nail Nip. The "Cushion-robber" leaped back to the bag and the next thing I saw, Nip Lum was squaring up and going after Terry. This started the free-for-all and it took the ump's some time to resume order. Nobody was badly hurt and the game continued. Nip Lum finally stole second the easy way but was stranded there when Chung struck out for the third time and L. H. Chan filed to third base to retire the inning.

H. B. tried hard to score in the last frame but to no avail. O. Arculli filed to Tuffy Chinn for the first erasure and Winglee filed to Wally Ching for the second out. Terry Leonard rolled and easy one to the hot corner and the game of games was over.

In the pitchers' duel Slim Arculli fanned three and walked three, while Bill Chang struck out two and walked two.

Two dazzling double-killings were dished out in this fracas. Wally Ching to Grandpop Leung then to Tuffy Chinn to nail Terry Leonard and Obeir Arculli in the fourth and, in the same inning, Madeen Arculli to his brother Obeir then to George Souza to get rid of Richard Chung and Al Lau.

A big hand to oldtimer Grandpop Leung for his brilliant performance at the initial sack where he took 12 chances with nary a miscue. Some praise must also be given to Richard Chung for the manner in which he guarded the left pastures. The way he caught that foul ball off Terry Leonard's bat was something to behold.

It's interesting to note that the H.B. sluggers, who are reputed to be better hitters than the Chung Hwa ball bruisers, only nicked Bill Chang for three measly hits, while the Abemen hammered Arculli for nine blows.

Riddle of the game: Why did Dave Leonard wait until the count on Slim Arculli was two strikes and one ball before attempting to steal home?

	R.	H.	E.
Chung Hwa	4	0	1
H.B.	1	0	1

Sunday's Games

In the first game of a double-header on Sunday Hong Kong Baseball Club narrowly defeated Royal Engineers 6-5. The Molthenmen, who took the game very easily, were given a scare by the Sappers who were all out to give the Hongkongites a hiding and almost succeeded.

"Smudge" Smith started on the mound for Ball Club and struck out one and walked seven. Johnny Alvares took over the assignment in the fourth and fanned three, walking three. Smith allowed three hits and Alvares one. Flash Ratcliffe started on the firing line for the Sappers but was yanked in the fourth in favour of Denyer. Flash issued five passes to first and struck out none. Denyer did better on the slab striking out three and walking two.

Long distance hoist of the fray was a homer by Fox and one two-bagger each for Doc Molthen and Gillespie.

No less than four double plays were pulled in the encounter. Fettinghoff to Dutch Lengibrink in the first to nail Taylor and Shaw. In the same inning the Sappers completed a double killing. Taylor to Denyer to Ings then to Fox to dispose of Joe Higgins and Charlie Figueiredo. In the third Molthen to Smith to catch Shaw and Ratcliffe napping. In the fourth Fox to Welford to get rid of Johnny Alvares and Tony Alves.

	R.	H.	E.
H.B.C.	1	1	4
R.E.	1	1	0

In the second game Mindanao played about to blank South China 12-0. Kwan's two-bagger spoiled Tony Mascavage's and Ski Powlawski's no-run-no-hit performance. Tony and Ski took turns on the rubber for Mindanao and between them they struck out nine and walked two. Pau for South China did very well on the hillock striking out five and walking five.

Tony Mascavage knocked a home run and Powlawski clouted a triple for the longest hits of the tilt. Wilson and Ski shared batting honours with four hits apiece in five times up.

	R.	H.	E.
Mindanao	2	0	0
S. China	0	0	0

LEAGUE STANDINGS

	P.	W.	L.	Pct.
Chung Hwa	5	4	1	.800
Mindanao	4	4	1	.800
Hong Kong Ball Club	4	2	2	.667
Hong Kong Brewery	4	2	2	.667
South China	2	0	2	.000
Royal Engineers	1	0	4	.000

ARMY
TENNIS

Playing at Sookunpoo yesterday, the 12th Battery, Royal Artillery beat Royal Army Service Corps by 5 sets to 4 in a First Division Army League tennis match.

Moon and Waller (R.A.)	beat	Martin and Young	6-3
lost to	Logan and Gibbs	4-6	
beat	Keast and King	6-2	
McMurthy and Scorey (R.A.)	lost to	Martin and Young	2-6
beat	Logan and Gibbs	6-4	
beat	Keast and King	6-2	
Smyth and Elliot (R.A.)	lost to	Martin and Young	2-6
lost to	Logan and Gibbs	3-6	
beat	Keast and King	6-4	

Another Close Match

In another First Division Army League match, 2nd Battalion, Royal Scots, beat Royal Army Pay Corps by 5 sets to 4.

Major White and Capt. Douglas (R.S.)	lost to	Taylor and James	2-6
beat	Adlam and Murray	6-4	
beat	Pinkney and Carden	6-3	
Cpl. Along and Bds. Wills (R.S.)	lost to	Taylor and James	1-6
beat	Adlam and Murray	6-3	
beat	Pinkney and Carden	6-2	
L/Cpl. Glasgow and L/Cpl. Fowler (R.S.)	lost to	Taylor and James	4-6
lost to	Adlam and Murray	6-6	
beat	Pinkney and Carden	6-1	

Signals Trounced

A further match in the same division was played, when Royal Engineers beat the Royal Corps of Signals by 9 sets to nil.

Major Grose and Capt. Wilkinson (R.E.)	beat	L/Sgt. Bundy and Cpl. Husband	6-4
beat	C.Q.M.S. Sayers and Cpl. Wathen	6-0	
beat	Cpl. Tomlinson and L/Cpl. Pitcher	6-0	
S/Sgt. Megson and Sgt. Denyer (R.E.)	beat	Bundy and Husband	6-3
beat	Sayers and Wathen	6-3	
beat	Tomlinson and Pitcher	6-0	
L/Sgt. Mitchell and Spr. Easley (R.E.)	beat	Bundy and Husband	6-2
beat	Sayers and Wathen	9-1	
beat	Tomlinson and Pitcher	6-1	

GOLF
RESULTS

Following results are notified by Royal Hong Kong Golf Club:—
Bogey (Par) Pool, Fanling, Old Course, June 15-16

H. F. Phillips (10) 3 up wins.

There were 22 entries.
The Adamson Cup competition at Happy Valley is cancelled and will be replayed from June 21 to 30.

The time for the second round of the Happy Valley foursomes is extended to June 30. Other dates stand as already arranged.

Results of H.V. competitions

Foursomes First Round

Linaker and Puckle beat Buchle and Tuck 6/4.

Ahern and Barry beat Watson and Thomson 4/3.

Shewan and Robertson beat Reeve and de Rome 3/1.

Phillips and Lloyd beat Macdonald and Davies 1 up.

Stewart and Low beat Dovey and Trevor 5/4.

Dennis and Hillier beat Mayhew and Greaves at 19th.

McMullin and Parker beat C. C. and C. M. Stark 3/2.

Bowker and R. K. Valentine beat H. Smith and Greenwood 3/1.

Redmond and Tamworth beat Chubb and Jowit at 19th.

Low and Hillyer beat Mills and Butlin 4/3.

Groves and Steele Perkins beat Richardson and Wood 2 up.

H.V. 1st Summer Singles 3rd Round

T. B. Low (11) beat F. C. Bagry (9) 4 and 3.

G. M. Park (6) beat S. F. Chubb (15) 3 and 1.

Major Harvey (8) beat Lieut. Carter (9) 8/7.

K. S. Robertson (8) beat C. C. Stark (9) 1 up.

LEAGUE TENNIS

FIRST MATCH IN SENIOR DIVISION PLAYED YESTERDAY

A MOST UNUSUAL situation has now arisen with regard to "A" Division of the Lawn Tennis League. With only two blocks of matches outstanding of the season's fixtures, only one match has been played to date.

This means that of the 15 matches which by this time should have been played, 14 are still outstanding.

Yesterday saw I.R.C. entertain University at Sookunpoo and win for the loss of 3½ sets. The undergraduates gave a surprisingly good display, F. N. Wong and C. C. Ma playing well to win two sets, while George Choa and T. T. Lim secured

EASTERN BEAT R.A.F.

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") Singapore, To-day.

Eastern scored a big victory over the Royal Air Force yesterday, winning by three clear goals in an exciting game.

Cheung Kam-hoi (2) and Hsu Man-fui scored.—Our Own Correspondent.

1½. Had Ling and Ong managed to do a little better, it is possible that University would have provided one of the biggest upsets in recent seasons.

It is noteworthy that the Rumjahn cousins, holders of the Colony doubles title, were held to a draw by Choa and Lim.

The matches which should have been played at K.C.C. and H.K.C.C. were postponed owing to the poor state of the grounds.

A. R. Minu and A. H. Madar (I.R.C.) lost to F. Wong and C. C. Ma 3-6
lost to George Choa and T. T. Lim 1-6
beat F. H. Ling and P. H. Ong 6-2
O. Rumjahn and I. M. A. Razack (I.R.C.) lost to Wong and Ma 4-6
beat Choa and Lim 6-0
beat Ling and Ong 6-0
H. D. Rumjahn and S. A. Rumjahn (I.R.C.) beat Wong and Ma 6-3
beat Choa and Lim 6-6
beat Ling and Ong 6-3



TO-DAY'S TENNIS

Following is to-day's "B" Division League tennis programme and some teams:

I.R.C. v. A.T.C.
H.K.C.C. v. C.R.C.
C.C.C. v. C.D.R.
S.C.A.A. v. C.S.C.C.
K.C.C. v. K.T.G.C.A.
I.R.C.—O. Rumjahn and I. Kitchell; A. R. Ismail and A. Rahmin; D. M. A. Razack and A. R. Kitchell.
A.T.C.—Col. Newnham and Capt. Loch; Col. Smith and Capt. Hyde; Capt. Holmes and Lieut. Tomlinson.
H.K.C.C.—J. S. Theobald and A. H. Barwell; G. W. Sewell and E. Bathurst; N. B. Nicholson and N. Spence.
C.R.C.—K. C. Ng and P. F. Choy; D. C. Luk and C. C. Luk; F. K. Lau and P. C. Leung.
C.D.R.—J. Leonard and W. H. Lee; A. Kitchell and W. Howard; G. Lai and H. N. Wong.
C.S.C.C.—M. A. Oliveira and W. A. Reed; M. J. Remedios and B. T. Gosano; C. A. Barretto and A. M. Rodrigues.
K.T.G.C.A.—Dew Chok-hin and Ip Koon-hung; W. T. Lee and W. C. Ho; Szeto Bick and W. H. Ho.

"B" DIVISION TENNIS PAIRINGS

The following are the "B" Division League lawn tennis pairings:—

	P.	L.	W.
Col. Smith and Capt. Hyde (A.T.C.)	9	2	7
J. Leonard and W. H. Lee (C.C.C.)	6	0	6
M. A. Oliveira and W. A. Reed (C.D.R.)	9	3	6
G. Lai and H. N. Wong (C.C.C.)	6	1	5
F. H. Kwok and Lam Kwan (K.T.G.C.A.)	6	1	5
Col. Newnham and Capt. Loch (A.T.C.)	9	4	5
Dew Chok-hin and Ip Koon-hung (S.C.A.A.)	6	2	4
A. Kitchell and W. Howard (C.C.C.)	6	2½	3½
T. E. Ling and Billy Yu (K.T.G.C.A.)	6	2½	3½
F. Grose and D. J. N. Anderson (K.C.C.)	3	0	3
W. T. Lee and W. H. Ho (S.C.A.A.)	3	0	3
A. M. Rodrigues and C. A. Barretto (C.D.R.)	3	0	3
Szeto Bick and W. H. Ho (S.C.A.A.)	3	0	3
T. C. Lu and D. C. Luk (C.R.C.)	3	½	2½
K. C. Ng and P. F. Choy (C.R.C.)	3	½	2½
N. A. E. Mackay and R. T. Broadbridge (K.C.C.)	6	3½	2½
T. J. Gould and T. C. Monaghan (H.K.C.C.)	3	1	2
O. L. Pang and C. C. Luk (C.R.C.)	3	1	2
H. Lin and B. P. C. Fletcher (K.T.G.C.A.)	3	1	2
F. Grose and R. T. Broadbridge (K.C.C.)	3	1	2
O. Rumjahn and I. Kitchell (I.R.C.)	3	1	2
W. T. Lee and W. C. Ho (S.C.A.A.)	3	1	2
H. H. Lin and K. H. Lee (K.T.G.C.A.)	3	1	2
A. M. Rodrigues and A. E. Xavier (C.D.R.)	3	1	2
B. T. Gosano and L. A. Carvalho (C.D.R.)	3	1	2
G. A. White and R. S. Capell (K.C.C.)	6	4	2
I. and B. Agafuroff (C.S.C.C.)	6	4	2
Capt. Holmes and Lieut. Tomlinson (A.T.C.)	3	1½	1½
J. A. Bendall and W. J. Skinner (C.S.C.C.)	3	2	1
A. R. Kitchell and O. Rumjahn (I.R.C.)	3	2	1
A. Rahmin and I. Kitchell (I.R.C.)	3	2	1
Dr. A. H. Barwell and J. J. Ferguson (H.K.C.C.)	3	2	1
H. K. Ho and L. K. Ma (S.C.A.A.)	3	2	1
B. T. Gosano and A. E. Xavier (C.D.R.)	3	2	1
A. R. Ismail and A. Rahmin (I.R.C.)	3	2	1
J. S. Theobald and A. H. Barwell (H.K.C.C.)	3	2	1
M. O. Hoosen and D. M. A. Razack (I.R.C.)	3	2½	½
N. B. Nicholson and N. Spence (H.K.C.C.)	3	2½	½
D. Hung and R. E. Lee (K.C.C.)	3	3	0
E. Bathurst and W. H. Jowit (H.K.C.C.)	3	3	0
Sgt. Webb and Sgt. Whakes (A.T.C.)	3	3	0
Sgt. Webb and Sgt. Megson (A.T.C.)	3	3	0
A. M. Rodrigues and B. T. Gosano (C.D.R.)	3	3	0
L. A. Carvalho and F. J. Remedios (C.D.R.)	3	3	0
G. A. White and N. A. E. Mackay (K.C.C.)	3	3	0
R. S. Capell and E. Eymard (K.C.C.)	3	3	0
W. J. Skinner and C. A. Lucas (C.S.C.C.)	3	3	0
D. M. A. Razack and A. R. Kitchell (I.R.C.)	3	3	0
G. W. Sewell and E. Bathurst (H.K.C.C.)	3	3	0
D. Hollidge and J. Wardle (C.S.C.C.)	6	6	0



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BOWLS CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

In the open pairs Lawn Bowls championship, at Kowloon Football Club yesterday, H. L. Lockhart and G. Harrower beat C. H. and J. J. Basto 34-12.

At Kowloon Dock, Y. H. Tang and J. M. Wong beat C. Fuller and W. T. Mezger 22-15.

APOLOGY.

On the 12th of June, 1940, we published a report dealing with the closure of Italian businesses in Hong Kong, at the conclusion of which we stated as follows:—

"The other business firms run by the Italians such as . . . and Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Co., are also being watched and closed by the Authorities."

We hereby admit and agree that Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Co. Ltd., registered in England, and its subsidiaries, Marconi (China) Ltd., registered in Hong Kong, and Marconi International Marine Communication Co. Ltd., registered in England, are British companies entirely managed and controlled by British subjects and are not in any way whatsoever Italian businesses or managed or controlled by Italians. We also admit that there is no truth whatsoever in the statement that these companies are being watched and closed by the Authorities.

We hereby tender our deep apologies to these Companies for these false and damaging statements and unreservedly withdraw such statements.

We also deeply regret that any such statement should have appeared in our papers.

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APOLOGY

On the 11th. June, 1940, we also published a report dealing with Italy's entry into the war and the position of Italian businesses in Hong Kong, at the conclusion of which we stated as follows:—

"There have been many Italians doing business in Hong Kong. One of the larger business firms is Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Co. which has announced the closure of its business."

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RECAPTURE OF ICHANG CLAIMED

Chungking, To-day.

Ichang, which fell into Japanese hands on June 13th, was recaptured by the Chinese at 3 a.m. yesterday as the result of the Chinese general counter-offensive in the triangular area between Ichang, Shasi and Kingmen, according to an urgent message from Ichang.

The Japanese defences crumbled around 10 p.m. on Sunday night after they had suffered heavy losses. The Chinese "mopped up" in the early hours of the following morning.

Changshoutien and Fengloho on the east bank of the Han River are also reported recaptured by the Chinese.—Central News.

BRITISH AGREEMENT WITH THAI

London, To-day.

The text of the Anglo-Thailand (Siam) non-aggression pact, just published, shows that in addition to mutual respect for each other's integrity, the two parties agree not to give assistance, direct or indirect, to an aggressor upon the other.

If one of the parties commits an act of war or aggression against a third power, the other will have the right to terminate the treaty without notice.—Reuter.

SEVERE CLASHES ON LOIRE LINE

(Continued from Page 1).

man forces continued early yesterday afternoon as the army of the Loire held its positions and in some sectors even counter-attacked, the French military spokesman announced.

The spokesman added: "The decision to sue for peace was dictated by the situation of the land army which is extremely grave, though not desperate. The navy is intact and the air force still powerful."

Official quarters pointed out these facts in view of their importance as regards peace negotiations.—Havas.

Canadian Troops

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Ottawa, To-day.

The Premier, Mr. Mackenzie King, told the House of Commons yesterday that steps have been taken for the withdrawal of the Canadian troops landed in France last week.—Havas.

"Peace Offensive" Against Great Britain

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

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France merely asked Germany under what conditions she would consent to stop the slaughter of French children.—Reuter.

London, To-day.

"The Times" this morning states: We stand in great and instant peril but we have stood in like peril before and have fought on to victory. We are back in something like the situation after the battles of Austerlitz and Jena, when a Continent united under the military domination of an autocrat confronted this island. Conditions have been modified against us by the advent of the new air weapon. On the other hand we possess not only the strong co-operation of an Empire grown to manhood but the promise of full assistance from the boundless resources of the United States. In this island the immediate future of hardship, desolation and loss is inescapable. When these things have been endured it is no less certain that Hitlerism will come to its Waterloo.—Reuter.

London, To-day.

It was learned to-day that the Canadian division which left England for France a few days ago was within 30 miles of Paris when it was ordered to return to the French coast. Their only engagement with the enemy was at the port of evacuation on Sunday night when they were bombed from the air. They brought down a plane with a Bren gun and found it was a French machine flown by the Germans. The men disembarked at a West Country port.—Reuter.

Cairo, To-day.

Authoritative reports received here state that over 600 prisoners, including 200 Italians, have been taken by the Allied troops operating in Libya. Twelve tanks and seven guns were also captured. In repeated raids on Italian bases R.A.F. planes have destroyed nearly 100 enemy machines.—Reuter.



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